Zoe Buhler

Found Poem - transcript of the arrest of Zoe Buhler for 'Incitement' under Dan Andrews's Covid police-state

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Zoe Buhler's Facebook post:

PEACEFUL PROTEST!!!

All social distancing measures are to be followed so we don't get arrested please.

Please wear a mask.

Sep 5 is Freedom Day.

END LOCKDOWNS.

STAND FOR HUMAN RIGHTS.

WE LIVE IN A *FREE* COUNTRY.

September 2: Zoe Buhler and her boyfriend livestreamed the following in her home (video here - timestamp 1:03)

Police: Right - now you're under arrest with relation to *Incitement*.

Zoe Buhler: *Incitement*?

Police: Never... You're not obliged to say or do anything but anything you say or do may be given in evidence.

ZB: Excuse me, incitement for what? What, what on earth?!

(Big police officer moves in to handcuff ZB - she's in pyjamas)

Zoe Buhler's Boyfriend: (takes phone from Zoe continues filming): Yeah, what's this about?

Pol: Yeah just *calm down* and *let me finish*. It's in relation to a Facebook post - in relation to a lockdown protest - put on for Saturday.

ZB: Yeah, and i wasn't breaking any laws by doing that.

Pol: You are actually. You are breaking the law - that's why i am arresting you - in relation to *Incitement*.

BF: How can you arrest her? That's…

ZB: In front of my two children

BF: Can't you just say to her 'Take the post down'? C'mon!

ZB: I'm happy to delete the post, this is ridiculous.

Pol: You're not obliged …(inaudible) … cautioned you on your rights - do you understand? You're not obliged to say *anything* but …

ZB: Yeah that's fine but..

Pol: Anything you do say - or do - may be given in evidence. Do you understand that?

ZB: Yeah that's fine, but my two kids are here and i have an ultrasound in an hour. Like i'm happy to delete the post.

Pol: You also have the right to communicate with a legal practitioner. Do you understand those rights?

ZB: Yeah this is ridiculous

BF: Yeah this is a bit unfair, c'mon mate. How 'bout she won't do the event? It's not like it's already happened. She made a post - so that's an offence?

Pol: Well she already committed the offence.

BF: So that's an offence?

Pol: So, i’m not gonna argue. Now - search warrant: - that entitles us - and we are required to - seize - any computers, any mobile devices you have…

ZB: What on earth?

BF: Yeah could i just get your badge for a second there mate?

ZB: (crying - inaudible)

Pol: Just let me finish! Any mobile you’ve got - ok - so what we want is any mobile you've got (big police officer comes to take recording phone)

ZB: That’s actually my sister’s phone…

Pol: Well it doesn’t matter. Any device in this house we’re taking.

BF: Ahrr, you’re not taking *my* phone (police come to take his phone)

It’s my phone, it’s got nothing to do with her! (takes phone - recording finishes)