

Agriculture and Environment Committee

From: QUEENSLAND AGRICULTURAL SEEDS PTY LTD [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, 27 January 2016 11:10 AM
To: Agriculture and Environment Committee
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: Racing Integrity Bill

I am a thoroughbred owner and breeder involved with racing approx 20 horses currently (all paid up for QTIS) and am very concerned about the prospect of the QLD Racing Integrity Bill passing through parliament.

Our family company has invested heavily in the QLD racing industry in recent years including a new stable complex alongside the Toowoomba racecourse (costing in excess of \$1,000,000/-) and a second breeding property, not to mention stallion service fees, salary and wages etc. Much of this expenditure has been incurred recently due to positive changes made generally and particularly to the Queensland Thoroughbred Investment Scheme (QTIS) by the previous board of Racing Qld. These investments were made in the basis of a very positive mood within the local industry and what we believed were permanent changes (at least for the foreseeable future) to the QLD Industry.

They are likely to amount to very little if this bill passes and the current very pessimistic outlook continues within the QLD Industry. This will cost us personally big dollars I believe and will lead to job losses in QLD with people like ourselves being unable or unwilling to continue at the same level and many industry employees being forced to look to NSW and Victoria for alternative employment where recent prizemoney increases have recently been announced.

A further concern is that the upcoming QTIS yearling sale following on in late March will almost certainly be a disaster should this bill and this (One Man Plan) Tracking to Sustainability Plan be adopted.

This bill I believe is a recipe for consigning the Qld racing industry to the backwater of Australian racing and respectfully ask you to think very carefully before allowing this one through.

Yours Sincerely

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