## **Agriculture and Environment Committee**

From:
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To: Agriculture and Environment Committee
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**Subject:** Oppose The Qld Racing Integrity Commission Bill

Categories: EA to Process

I wish to express my disappointment in the proposed Queensland Racing Integrity Commission Bill. I am a breeder of 12-20 mares each year and majority of the foals from this breeding are raced in thoroughbred racing. I employee 4 permanent and 4 casual employees on my farm, they are employed for pre-training works, breeding works and we also race some of the horses directly from the farm. I have up to 15 horses in training at all times throughout the year and they are being trained by contracted trainers. These proposed changes are going to have a massive impact on the owners, breeders, trainers, employees and all stakeholders of the racing industry. Not to mention the affect it will have on the small country race tracks. For myself I strongly oppose the changes to the bill that are being put forward and oppose the proposed board structure. I believe the board should comprise of all members having a racing background and an understanding of the industry. If this bill is passed I will be reducing my breeding and racing operations in QLD. NSW Racing is moving forward in leaps and bounds and is assisting all stakeholders of the industry. I will move my breeding so that my mares are breeding to NSW based sires and I will have my race horses competing more in NSW race meets. The proposed changes are not for the good of the industry and I would hope that the parliament would listen to the people of the industry and oppose this bill.

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