

## **21 April 2016**

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Dear Chair and Committee Members

Submission to Committee on Vegetation Management (Reinstatement) and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2016

I am a home educator of three children. Its lovely to teach them about the world and its beauty and potential. Unfortunately they are all too aware of how under threat it is and wonder with their simplicity why we aren't doing a better job at protecting it.

They naturally value the environment. I am hoping to keep their innocence and passion for annimals alive. We live near a koala reserve and we delight in spotting the koalas in the trees and seeing which trunks have scratch marks from being climbed.

They are too young to remember summers that weren't spent inside in air conditioning, or the severe droughts whern Wivenhoe got down to 15% capacity. We however know all too well the effects of land clearing on their future.

We are aiming to give then a planet that is beautiful and able to sustain life comfortably, with less severe weather events. These weather events are very expensive in suffering, and cost of repair. Trees are one of the best protectors, limiting erosion, CO2 in the atmosphere and run off into our oceans.

Please help us hand a brighter future to our children by passing the bill to support Queenslands ecosystems and wildlife.

Yours sincerely,