

## Electrical Safety and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2024

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# Consultative Committee

for Work-Related Fatalities and Serious Incidents

Electrical Safety and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2024  
Clean Economy Jobs, Resources and Transport Committee

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To the Clean Economy Jobs, Resources and Transport Committee,

I am the Chair of the Consultative Committee for Work-Related Fatalities and Serious Incidents (also known as the *Consultative Committee*(Committee)) established under the *Work Health and Safety Act 2011*. More information about the committee is available here: [Consultative Committee for Work-related Fatalities and Serious Incidents members | WorkSafe.qld.gov.au](#).

The committee provides advice and recommendations to Minister Grace about the information and support needs of people impacted by work-related deaths, serious incidents, and illness. We are passionate about assisting other families going through the very difficult days, months, and years following the death of a family member or a family member sustaining a serious injury or illness.

I am writing this submission on behalf of the committee in support of the Electrical Safety and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2024 (Bill). As the committee chair, I firmly believe that the proposed inclusions and amendments outlined in the Bill are integral to advancing electrical safety in Queensland.

In addition to our support on this bill, our committee remains committed to the importance of electrical safety in our communities. We will also continue to strongly advocate for further legislative changes that include:

- Mandatory installation of safety switches in all residential, commercial, and industrial buildings,
- Adoption by Australia in the amendment to the Australian and New Zealand Wiring Rules to align with New Zealand's standards, in the implementation of safety switches in all Queensland schools and a reduction on the threshold of circuits within schools from 30mA to 10mA, and
- Mandatory de-energisation of buildings before any work is commenced on a roof or within a ceiling space.

If you have any queries in relation to the committee submission, please do not hesitate to contact myself on [REDACTED] [REDACTED], or secretariat Virginia Richardson [REDACTED] [REDACTED] or [OHSConsultativeCommittee@oir.qld.gov.au](mailto:OHSConsultativeCommittee@oir.qld.gov.au).

Yours faithfully,

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**Daniel Kennedy**

**Chair**

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