

## Queensland Community Safety Bill 2024

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Dear state member

I am writing to express my strong opposition to the proposed Community Safety Bill 2024. While I understand the intention behind the bill is to enhance safety within our community, I believe that several aspects of this legislation are problematic and could have adverse effects.

Firstly, the bill appears to infringe on the civil liberties of community members. The broad surveillance measures proposed in the bill, such as the increased use of public cameras and mandatory data collection, pose significant privacy concerns. These measures could lead to a society where individuals feel constantly monitored, eroding trust between the community and law enforcement.

Secondly, the bill's approach to community safety is overly punitive rather than preventative. Increased policing and harsher penalties may not address the root causes of crime, such as poverty, lack of education, and inadequate mental health services. A more effective strategy would be to invest in social programs that address these underlying issues, thereby preventing crime before it occurs.

Moreover, the bill could disproportionately impact marginalized communities. Historical data shows that enhanced policing and surveillance often target minority groups, leading to higher rates of incarceration and systemic inequality. It is crucial that any legislation aimed at improving community safety is equitable and does not exacerbate existing disparities.

In conclusion, I urge you to reconsider the provisions of Community Safety Bill 2024. I recommend consulting with a broader range of community stakeholders to develop a more balanced and just approach to safety that respects civil liberties and addresses the root causes of crime.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. I look forward to your response and hope to see a revised proposal that better serves our community.

Sincerely,

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