

Queensland Community Safety Bill 2024

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Chair
Community Safety and Legal Affairs Committee
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Dear Chair,

Re Queensland Community Safety Bill 2024

We write to comment and also raise a question arising from the proposed Bill, specifically that the Bill proposes to:

‘insert a reference to disability services into youth justice principles to highlight that a child’s disability needs must be met while they are in detention’

Our comment is that we, as an organisation providing supports and advocacy for people with spinal cord injury and other physical disability since 1960, wish to support this proposed provision.

The question we wish to raise for the Committee is as follows:

Is there a similar existing provision to highlight that an adult’s disability needs must be met while they are in detention – and if there is not, would the Committee consider that such a provision should be included in the Bill.

We would value the Committee’s consideration in this matter which we contend is a human right’s issue for children and adults – and that without supports to meet their disability needs, rehabilitation is hampered.

Yours sincerely,



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