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Education, Employment and Small Business Committee
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To whom it may concern

Re: Health and Wellbeing Queensland Bill 2019

Clubs Queensland is the peak industry body, representing Queensland's 1100 community clubs that include sports clubs, life-saving clubs, RSL Clubs, community clubs and social clubs. Our remit runs the full gamut of sports, recreation and social clubs in Queensland.

As an important stakeholder in the health and wellbeing of Queenslanders, we commend the Health and Wellbeing Bill 2019 to Parliament and support the objectives and structure that underpins the delivery of this initiative.

Community clubs throughout Queensland have, since the establishment of Booradabin Bowls Club 1888, been at the core of supporting Queenslanders to live healthy lifestyles, rich in social connection and friendly competition. Community clubs play a pivotal role in providing the facilities to deliver sports and activities to Queenslanders and also provide the facilities that connect communities socially which is well documented as being a critical component of 'wellbeing'.

In addition, community clubs are an important conduit to over 2.4million Queenslanders and over 22,000 employees who make up our memberships and our teams. Clubs Queensland believes that our sector can play an important stakeholder role in the delivery of programs that sit under the umbrella of this Bill, and also use our experience to initiate programs that fit within the objectives of this Bill.

We welcome the opportunity to discuss with you further if required. Please do not hesitate to contact me on 0418 784 576 or Laura Bos, Communications and Government Relations Manager on 0417 615 463.

Ciao and warm regards


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