

Ai GROUP SUBMISSION

Queensland Government –
Education, Employment and
Training Committee

***Inquiry into the
Industrial Relations and
Other Legislation
Amendment Bill 2022:
Response to a question
on notice***

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Response to a question on notice regarding the Food Delivery Platform National Safety Principles

The Australian Industry Group (**Ai Group**) provides the following response to a question that we took on notice regarding the Food Delivery Platform National Safety Principles during the inquiry into the Industrial Relations and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2022.

Ai Group was asked to identify, in effect, how we think the Food Delivery Platform National Safety Principles (**Principles**) ensure minimum pay and minimum conditions for drivers and riders undertaking work via relevant on demand platforms.

The Principles are directed at addressing the safety of drivers and riders who use food delivery platforms to access work.

As indicated in the introduction to the Principles, they reflect a commitment by the signatories to the Principles to continuously improve the safety of the industry, so far as is reasonably practicable, by ensuring they have their own processes in place that meet the standards set out in these principles in respect of: training and information; delivery equipment and personal protective equipment (PPE); support, standards and policies; consultation; and incident reporting and investigation.

The Principles are not targeted at directly regulating the minimum level of remuneration of drivers and riders undertaking work accessed via food delivery platforms.

ABOUT THE AUSTRALIAN INDUSTRY GROUP

The Australian Industry Group (Ai Group®) is a peak employer organisation representing traditional, innovative and emerging industry sectors. We are a truly national organisation which has been supporting businesses across Australia for nearly 150 years.

Ai Group is genuinely representative of Australian industry. Together with partner organisations we represent the interests of more than 60,000 businesses employing more than 1 million staff. Our members are small and large businesses in sectors including manufacturing, construction, ICT, transport & logistics, engineering, food, labour hire, mining services, the defence industry and civil airlines.

Our vision is for thriving industries and a prosperous community. We offer our membership strong advocacy and an effective voice at all levels of government underpinned by our respected position of policy leadership and political non-partisanship.

With more than 250 staff and networks of relationships that extend beyond borders (domestic and international) we have the resources and the expertise to meet the changing needs of our membership. Our deep experience of industrial relations and workplace law positions Ai Group as Australia's leading industrial advocate.

We listen and we support our members in facing their challenges by remaining at the cutting edge of policy debate and legislative change. We provide solution-driven advice to address business opportunities and risks.

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