Finance and Administration Committee

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Sent: Friday, 9 October 2015 10:46 AM **To:** Finance and Administration Committee

Subject: proposed 4-year terms

Dear Sir,

We are totally opposed to the proposed 4-year terms of government in Queensland. The arguments for this bill are spurious:

- 1) Just because others are doing it does not make it right...we are not lemmings.
- 2) "It provides for better government..." No. A bad government will be even worse for the State with an extra year in which to do damage. A good government will just be re-elected.
- 3) How would it provide any more fairness to all political parties? Fairness is already provided through the democratic process.
- 4) "It provides confidence and certainty in government..." No. Not when you have a government which constantly lies to the people and makes one bad decision after another eg the Newman government. Look what happened to unemployment figures and investment under them.

After suffering 3 years of Campbell Newman, Jarrod Bleijie and the rest of the LNP government that lied to the public, took away people's human rights, sacked thousands of public servants while giving themselves a pay rise, the idea of having to put up with a government like this for an extra year is completely wrong. Queensland had almost become a police state and with an extra year it could have become a dictatorship.

So, to your bill we say "No, no, a thousand times no!"

Yours faithfully, Jenifer and Harvey Carter.