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From: Sean McConathy [REDACTED]  
Sent: Friday, 9 November 2012 4:01 PM  
To: Finance and Administration Committee  
Subject: Bundaberg Water Fluoridation

To whom it may concern,

**RE: South East Queensland Water (Restructuring) and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2012 Submission regarding the proposed amendments to the Queensland 'Water**

I am a resident of the Bundaberg area, and I am writing to address the recent forced water fluoridation progress here.

As a resident and taxpayer I do not wish to address the medical side of fluoridation, conspiracy theories, or any other controversial objections to fluoridating the water supply. My objection is much simpler. The mass practice of administering fluoride to large populations without informed consent or supervision by a qualified medical practitioner *is wrong*. The ethical validity of fluoridation policy does not stand up to scrutiny.

Many countries in Europe have realized this fact and have, in turn, refused to take part in the mass medicating of their population. On the opposite end of the spectrum, the United States has been very heavy handed in forcing fluoridation of municipal water supplies and has created large controversies as a result. Obviously, I am asking you not to practice the mass medication of an entire population without their consent.

You can read more about those controversies here:

[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Water\\_fluoridation\\_controversy](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Water_fluoridation_controversy)

**I request that the Queensland Government re-consider the forced fluoridation and that the 'Water Fluoridation Act 2008' be amended to include an exemption for the Bundaberg community.**

Thank you for your consideration,  
Sean A. McConathy - Bundaberg Taxpayer

