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**Re: South East Queensland Water (Restructuring) and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2012  
Submission regarding the proposed amendments to the Queensland 'Water Fluoridation Act 2008'**

As a member of the Legislative Assembly and State Member for Burnett, I have received overwhelming representation for my community in complete opposition to the forced fluoridation of the Bundaberg region water supply.

In view of the available information and related scientific references, I respectfully request that the Queensland Government uphold the principles of our democracy by not forcing Water Fluoridation on the people of Queensland in particular, Bundaberg Regional Council areas by amending the "Water Fluoridation Act 2008" with the inclusion of a clause or section which provides individual communities, particularly Bundaberg to be exempt.

It is requested that an amendment to Clause 80 that the new subsection 6A raise the exemption level from the proposed 10,000 to 60,000 population.

It is also requested that Bundaberg Regional Council be acknowledged for exception into Section 8.

I request that the Queensland Government re-consider the forced fluoridation and that in relation to Bundaberg particularly, the 'Water Fluoridation Act 2008' be amended to include an 'exemption clause' or section which provides the Bundaberg community the opportunity to exit the requirements of the said Act.

I would take this opportunity to remind the committee of the brutality of the forced amalgamation's under the previous Government and ask you to seriously consider is forced medication to the public in the interests of our conservative Government.?

Please consider the wishes of my community and the Bundaberg Regional Council who are deeply opposed to this mandated medication with questionable science and no tangible outcomes.

Yours Faithfully

Stephen Bennett  
Member for Burnett