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**To:** Finance and Administration Committee  
**Subject:** My submission on the Industrial Relations (Restoring Fairness) and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2015

To: Members of the Finance and Administration Committee

I wish to make a submission on the Industrial Relations (Restoring Fairness) and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2015. This bill needs to be accepted and the rights of government workers needed to be reinstated straight away.

The Newman LNP government was elected in 2012 having made clear promises to respect rights at work and the collective bargaining framework. The government broke these commitments and removed protections for job security as well as many other basic rights, amending legislation often late at night with no warning. I suffered and my friends and workmates suffered from the loss of our rights at work and live in fear for the loss of our jobs which would be devastating to us as it was to the many who have lost theirs over the last few years.

We should have the right to work together to better our working conditions and for security and having a sense of achievement and pride at work, not the pressure and worry of becoming unemployed and unable to support our families. We voted for the party and person we thought would help us restore our basic rights and the return of services the community needed and the jobs that are needed. The right to organise collectively to achieve better working rights and conditions is a basic human right.

Please respect the voice of Queenslanders and the rights of workers and vote to restore fairness by supporting this bill.

Yours sincerely

Wendy Wicks