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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 write to make a submission on the Industrial Relations (Restoring Fairness) and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2015.

I urge the committee to recommend passage of this bill without delay to ensure that the rights of public servants and local government workers are restored to them.

The Newman LNP government lied to get elected it said that it would respect rights at work and the collective bargaining framework.

I have worked at QSSU, SPSQ, QPSU and together since 1992. I was gobsmacked by what I saw under the Newman Government. Our members are decent people. They keep communities functioning. The LNP government didn't care. Their Union is a decent democratic union reflecting the will of its members. Our members were lied to, threatened, lost their jobs, and in some cases their communities were destroyed too.

The wholesale and unnecessary destruction of the public service under Mr Newman was idiotic, destructive and devastating to our community especially regional Queensland. Maryborough, Cunnamulla, Charleville, Longreach ... town after town is suffering because jobs were taken away.

The refusal to pay a fair pay rise. Unbelievable. Again also negatively impacted on regional queensland. In Maryborough we calculated that at least \$100 000 was not circulating in the local economy due to the deliberate sabotage of a fair payrise. This impacted on the private sector and farmers in our community.

Yours sincerely

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