

# Work Health and Safety and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2015 Submission

Thank you for providing the Council of the City of Gold Coast (Council) the opportunity to provide a submission regarding the Work Health and Safety and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2015.

Our submission is regarding the implications of expanding the incident notification requirements to include notifying the regulator when a worker is absent form more than four days due to a workplace injury. Expanding the notification requirements will result in a significant increase to the number of incidents reported to the regulator as shown in the table below.

Notifiable incidents from 1 June 2014 – 31 May 2015		
No. of notifiable incidents under current requirements	No. of notifiable incidents under proposed requirements	% Difference
4	29	725% increase

In order to support the proposed amendments and the increased reporting that will be required, additional resources as well as modification to documentation and incident reporting software will be needed. This will come as a cost to the organisation.

Regards

  
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