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Finance and Administration Committee
Parliament House
George Street
Brisbane Qld 4000

Re: Inquiry into the Work Health and Safety and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2015

I write on behalf of the Board of Directors of the Master Painters, Decorators & Signwriters Association of Queensland Union of Employers (MPAQ) in relation to the *Work Health and Safety and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2015*.

Whilst the Board of Directors is broadly supportive of the changes proposed, it is concerned by the planned change to restore right of entry powers that would allow WHS entry permit holders to gain immediate access to a workplace.

It is widely known within the building and construction industry that WHS right of entry provisions have been used in the past for purposes other than intended. The Board of Directors is concerned that removing the 24 hour notice requirement will have the likely effect of exacerbate this issue. It is respectfully submitted that the proposed change should not proceed.

The Board of Directors appreciates the opportunity to provide a submission on this matter.

Yours faithfully,



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