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The Research Director  
Finance and Administration Committee  
Parliament House  
George Street  
Brisbane Qld 4000

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Dear Sirs

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

The Crane Industry Council of Australia (Queensland Branch) is the principal Crane Industry Association in Queensland, with members servicing all sectors of the construction industry and mobile crane hire. Founded in 1973, CICA Qld actively represents members' interests and provides a wide range of member services on State and regional basis.

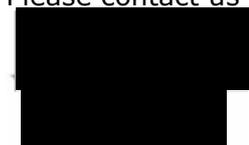
CICA Qld is recognised by Government and the public sector as the official industry association on all matters affecting the State crane industry. Our goal remains the achievement of safety, efficiency, productivity and profitability for all Members.

CICA Qld welcomes the opportunity to provide feedback to the Queensland Legislative Assembly's Finance and Administration Committee Inquiry on the Work Health and Safety and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2015 and CICA Qld is committed to assisting Government to devise fair and equitable compensation arrangements for the protection of employers and workers.

CICA Qld is familiar with the submissions of Master Builders and we fully support those submissions. CICA Qld strongly opposes the current proposal to "restore the right of entry powers allowing union representatives holding Workplace Health and Safety (WHS) entry permits to gain immediate access to a workplace to inquire into a suspected contravention of the WHS Act".

We endorse Master Builders view that health and safety has become simply a bargaining tool by some unions and repeal of the current WHS Right of Entry requirements for permit holders will see a return to a blatant and complete disregard for any rights of the occupier and an abuse of union power without any consequences for those breaches.

Please contact us if you have any queries.



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