

Criminal Code (Decriminalising Sex Work) and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2024

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I am most concerned that decriminalizing the Sex Industry will encourage many young people who are under cost of living pressures to become sex workers. University students facing high HECS fees and other costs would be tempted make up the short fall in their income by taking up sex work. Studies overseas have shown that where university students had taken up sex work to pay their way through university only 10% actually completed their courses. That is a very high failure rate. Is it the intention of the Attorney to devalue the women of Queensland to such an extent that there will no longer be criminal protection for them to call on when they are being abused by their pimps, used as slaves to make porn videos and have no law to protect them when they try and stand up against the abuse!? their pimps and abusers will just say that they were doing legal work. I do not want to see brothels moving into suburbs and I do not want to see open soliciting on the streets, and I do not want to see pimps and brothel owners and pornographers empowered. I urge the government not to pass this Bill as it will just open the floodgates of exploitation of women and vulnerable people.