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To: [Pharmacy](#)
Subject: Submission in relation to the Parliamentary Inquiry into Pharmacy Regulation
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Committee Secretary/

I write in relation to the above Inquiry and, in particular, to express concern should any consideration be given to recommending any change to the current laws governing Pharmacy ownership.

It is submitted that the current Queensland legislation requiring that Pharmacy ownership be restricted to a qualified and registered Pharmacist has served the community well.

Pharmacists are a vital source of professional health advice to members of the community. In my experience, Queenslanders know that they can rely on the advice of professional Pharmacists who are available, on hand, to render such advice at a moments notice. Any dilution of the service rendered so professionally by this group of experts would significantly impact the lives of members of the community, particularly the elderly and children who are more prone to minor illnesses.

In my situation, living in a suburban retirement village where a respected Pharmacy is only walking distance away, it would be very inconvenient were I and my fellow residents required to taxi to a more distant Supermarket for Pharmacy assistance. This could well be the situation if neighbourhood Pharmacies fall by the wayside a la many corner stores.

Thankyou for your consideration.

Sincerely

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