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Mr Peter Dowling MP  
**Health and Community Services Committee**  
Parliament House  
George Street  
Brisbane Qld 4000

## SUBMISSION TO THE RACING AND OTHER LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL 2012

Dear Sir,

We, the members of the Townsville Greyhound Racing Club Inc wish to make the following submission

1. We are gravely concerned regarding the formation, structure and implementation of the proposed Queensland All Codes Racing Industry Board and the associated independent industry boards
2. The cost involved of removing the current board and 'starting from scratch' once again.
3. The omission of any mention to country or regional racing on any level.
4. The extension of the Wagering Act 1998 to extend the funding for the Racing Industry Capital development Scheme until 2015

Reasons:

1. The formation of new control boards could be undertaken by reworking the current Racing Queensland Board and implementing sub-committees for each individual code. We believe the structure as outlined in the proposed amendments could be utilized to achieve this and allow effective management and control to remain with each separate code. The new allocated number of board members should ensure accountability.
  
2. a) The cost of implementing the current Racing Queensland board which was installed two years previous as been a huge impost on the racing industry- one which we are still struggling to pick up. The consultation at local club level is very small or non-existent and it is at this level that that added costs are felt.  
  
b) The cost associated with the formation of transfer of integrity to an independent body. Once again it is stated that the costs will be borne by the industry, but it is not defined on where or how such costs will be allocated. Are these extra costs that will be impose to support such a undertaking.
  
3. Under the current format it could be seen that no input would be allowed from outside the south east corner.
  
4. Further details are required to substantiate the funding scheme and how it is applied to fund capital development, especially as concerns country clubs.

Yours sincerely



Louise Marsden  
Secretary