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**Should the legal restrictions and criminal penalties against altruistic surrogacy be removed from the *Surrogate Parenthood Act 1988* (Qld)?**

No, definately not.

**Should the Queensland Government play a role in regulating altruistic surrogacy arrangements in Queensland?**

No, there is not a good or best way to do this. It is morally wrong and there are too many negative legal and relational consequences. This would create a situation in which many adults could have biological connections to a child, having a potential of up to 5 people being parents to a child. There is enough confusion and problems in our childrens lives. The further we go from plain old fashioned values, the crazier and scarier it gets!!!!!! Our children are too valuable.

**What other issues should be addressed by the Government?**

This would enable single people and same sex couples to surrogacy. I believe in the family unit, a mother, father and children. It is the healthiest and best enviroment for children to grow up in and survey after survey has proven that!