

Fighting Antisemitism and Keeping Guns out of the Hands of Terrorists and Criminals Amendment Bill 2026

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I generally agree with the proposed 'Fighting Antisemitism and Keeping Guns Out of the Hands of Terrorists and Criminals Amendment Bill 2026', with one significant change. The definition and purpose must extend beyond Antisemitism and must include all minorities that experience persecution and discrimination in Queensland. It must specifically address the violation of human rights of the following groups through racism, bullying, trolling, verbal and physical attacks:

- Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples,
- People of Islamic faith in Australia,
- Members of the LGBTIQA+ communities,
- Jewish community members, and
- to be inclusive of all members of all other communities who experience targeted racism.

To only address Antisemitism in this Bill draws undue attention to Jewish communities, and potentially builds resentment against them because the public understand that violent and persistent racism and discrimination is directed at other groups as well. It potentially reads as 'special treatment' which many Australians have a reaction against due to the underlying cultural value of 'fairness'. It is better, in my opinion, to more broadly address the safety of all minorities who openly suffer persecution and discrimination in this Bill.

I truly value social cohesion and want everyone to feel safe in Queensland and Australia. It troubles me that so many do not. Thank you for considering my submission.