Body Corporate & Community Management & Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2012 Submission 072

The Research Director, Legal Affairs and Community Safety Committee, Parliament House George Street, Brisbane Q 4000



Dear Sir,

My wife and I would like to express our support to the bill which was introduced by the Attorney-General on 14 September 2012.

We are the Q1 Penthouse owners. We have always paid more in fees than anyone else in this Building.

Now our fees are more than \$48.300 per year. This is more than anyone can afford to pay even if they are regarded as being 'well off'.

In our case we pay for all our windows to be maintained, and we regard this to be fair. We are prepared to pay more in contributions than other owners, but all we ask is that this be reasonable.

We also have our own air-conditioning in our unit, which we maintain at our cost. We also contribute however to the cost of everyone else's air-conditioning units.

We pay for our own hot water system, but also contribute to everyone else's hot water systems.

The Penthouse has its own swimming pool for which we pay 100% of its maintenance, but we also pay for the common property swimming pools, which we do not use because we have our own pool.

We have our own BBQ facilities and Gym but we also pay for the upkeep of these facilities for Q1 holiday makers or owners' guests.

Whilst we realise that our contribution helps to keep the property clean and tidy for guests, the excessive amount required, devalues our unit and then causes the whole Q1 building to devalue, affecting everyone.

We trust the amendment proposed will be accepted and the bill will be passed so that a fairer system applies to all unit owners.

Will & Lucy Lin

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