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**SUBMISSION TO PARLIAMENT COMMITTEE.** ( [lacsc@parliament.qld.gov.au](mailto:lacsc@parliament.qld.gov.au) )

**SUBJECT: BODY CORPORATE AND COMMUNITY MANAGEMENT AND OTHER LEGISLATION  
AMENDMENT BILL 2012**

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I am a widower, 78 year old pensioner and owner of a [REDACTED] floor unit at Atlantis West Surfers Paradise.

I find it unbelievable that anybody could seek to reverse the Body Corporate decisions previously made in 2011. This is wholly as a result of wealthy people living in high floor penthouses, sub penthouses and two units that have been amalgamated so as to reduce fees to that of one unit. This of course results in all other owners in the complex subsidizing the wealthy. The amalgamated units generally have 4-5 bedrooms, 4 bathrooms, 2 kitchens and double living areas, 2 to 4 car spaces. Also greatly increased areas of glass windows and doors, balustrading, plumbing, fire sprinklers, painted external areas etc. If lot entitlements are changed to the previous 1997 act, my body corporate fees will increase by approximately \$700 per quarter (\$2,800 pa) in addition to that which I presently pay. Water rates are also calculated on lot entitlements and will increase proportionally.

I will be unable to stay in my home of 15 years if entitlements for all units are made equal, and due to my limited income I will be forced to sell my unit and seek alternate accommodation. Raised fees for low floor units will make them impossible to sell at a reasonable price. Reduced levy prices for penthouse units will of course make them more attractive to purchasers and increase their value.

Please give us a fair go. I don't dislike wealthy people, however asking me to subsidise their lifestyles is beyond my comprehension. I sincerely hope that the silent majority is not ignored in this instance.

Yours Faithfully

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