Body Corporate & Community Management & Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2012 Submission 087

From:

To: Legal Affairs and Community Safety Committee

Subject: Body Corporate and Community Management Bill 2012- SUPPORT

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To: LACSC

RE: Body Corporate and Community Management Bill 2012

I write to say that I STRONGLY SUPPORT THE ABOVE BILL, introduced by Hon Jarrod Bleijie.

My husband and I own a high-unit in Surfers Paradise. Earlier this year our Body Corp levies jumped by over \$200/week after a single unit owner had the Q1 Lot Entitlements schedule reverted to a former schedule described by Auditors as 'grossly unfair'. We, and about another 150 larger units are now subsidising all the smaller units' levies. Previously our levies were made just and equitable by a transparent process through QCAT. 2 Quantity Surveyors assessed every detail of costs of building maintenance, such that each unit owner paid Body Corp fees based on his/her unit's impact on building maintenance. This created as true user-pays system. The Bligh legislation forced us to revert a fair and equitable levy schedule back to a dreadfully unfair levies system and denied us the rights to have this assessed through QCAT.

The Attorney General must be commended for reintroducing fairness into the system and reinstating unit owners' rights. <u>Please don't let the political lobbying 'mob' derail the justice that has been reintroduced.</u>

Thank you,

Natwarang Clark