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Body Corporate & Community Management & Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2012 Submission 135

We wish to support the Bill allowing the reversion of the law relating to the Body Corporate fees.

We live in a gated complex, not a 'high-rise' unit building, with 80 other houses in this estate. This is Riverlea Waters at Nerang, a beautiful estate, but spoilt by one selfish person, who under the Labor Government's altering the law as it stood for so long, compelled this estate to alter the amounts each household is charged for fees.

Previously we all paid the same amount, but now we are made to pay about double the amount our neighbours are paying across the road, to come in the same front gate, drive on the same road, use the same swimming pool, use the same street lighting, etc. There is nothing FAIR about that and it causes much ill-feeling among the residents.

It seems that we should not come under the same Rules and Regulations as a 'high-rise' building, as we can't see any connection of a grassy lawned estate of many acres, to that of a concrete building going up to the sky, but why we have been lumped into this category, no one seems to know. But that is how the law stands, so we have no alternative but to support the reversion that the LNP is proposing.

Unfortunately, unless the whole affair is re-examined and corrected, no one law fits all situations.

Yours faithfully

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