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Acting Committee Secretary  
Legal Affairs and Community Safety Committee  
Parliament House  
George Street  
Brisbane Qld 4000

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Dear Sir/Madam

**RE: COUNTER-TERRORISM AND OTHER LEGISLATION  
AMENDMENT BILL 2017**

The Crime and Corruption Commission (CCC) welcomes the opportunity to deliver this submission to the Legal Affairs and Community Safety Committee (the Committee) on the Counter-Terrorism and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2017 (the Bill).

The Bill has<sup>1</sup>:

The primary objective to amend the *Public Safety Preservation Act 1986* (PSPA), the *Police Powers and Responsibilities Act 2000* (PPRA) and the *Terrorism (Preventative Detention) Act 2005* (TPDA) to enhance public and police officer safety and ensure police are able to respond rapidly and effectively to terrorist acts and other critical incidents which pose a serious risk to life.

Further objectives to enhance the operational effectiveness of surveillance device powers under the PPRA and amend the PSPA and the PPRA to provide power for police to destroy explosives.

The final objective to repeal the *Queensland Police Welfare Club Act 1970* (QPWC Act).

The CCC has a direct interest in the primary and further objectives of the Bill relevant to the performance of functions such as the major crime function (including terrorism) and the operational effectiveness of surveillance device powers under the PPRA.

The CCC also has a particular role in enhancing public and police officer safety and helping to ensure rapid and effective responses to terrorist acts and other critical incidents which pose a serious risk to life.

<sup>1</sup> Counter-Terrorism and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2017, Explanatory Notes.

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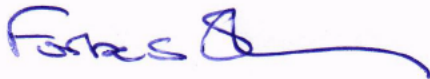
You would also be aware that police seconded to the CCC continue to be police officers for all purposes and to have the functions and powers of a police officer without being limited to the performance of the CCC's functions.

The CCC supports the Bill's proposed reforms to the PPRA, PSPA and the TPDA.

The proposed repeal of the QPWC Act concerns a policy issue on which the CCC has no comment.

If you require further information or any other assistance your officers you may contact [REDACTED] by telephone [REDACTED] or by email [REDACTED]

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Forbes Smith', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

**Forbes Smith**  
Chief Executive Officer