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Dear Sir

The Australian Sugar Milling Council (ASMC) supports the intention of the *Holidays and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2012*. The proposed legislation is consistent with the submissions made by the ASMC to the Premier, the Hon Anna Bligh (on this point) on 28 October 2011. A copy of that submission is attached.

You will note that the principal position of the Industry was to oppose moving any holidays into the latter part of the year because of the impact on the operational requirements of sugar mills running continuous shifts during the crushing season from mid June until December. However the industry's submission continued, proposing moving Labour Day not Queens Birthday, stating *inter alia*:

*"The October date falls almost half way between the dates of the Brisbane RNA holiday and Christmas Day. Therefore, moving Labour Day to that October date would result in a very even spread of three Public Holidays between ANZAC Day and Christmas -*

- *7 weeks to Queens Birthday,*
- *9 weeks to Brisbane RNA Show Holiday,*
- *6.5 weeks to Labour Day and*
- *11.5 weeks to Christmas."*

The submission concluded by urging that If a holiday is to be moved as planned then the legislation should facilitate flexibility in the observation of the moved holiday on an alternative day, where required to meet the operational requirements of the business.

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