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To: [Legal Affairs and Community Safety Committee](#)
Subject: Queensland does not need a Human Rights Act
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Dear Legal Affairs and Community Safety Committee,

Please do not recommend the introduction of a Human Rights Act. Such a step would do nothing to protect real rights in Queensland and would simply transfer the power to decide whose rights are more important than others to the unelected judiciary. Our laws are sufficient to protect our rights, because in a democracy, if that protection is found inadequate, elected MPs can simply change the law to fix the problem.

Furthermore, to illustrate how ineffectual a bill of rights is, consider that in Victoria the Abortion Law Reform Act 2008 was passed allowing pre-born babies to be killed for any reason right up until the moment of birth, despite the Charter of Human Rights and Responsibilities Act 2006 supposedly enshrining the right to life! Sadly, there are many other examples where real rights are just explained away when convenient.

I therefore call on you to oppose this idea of a human rights act for Queensland.

Yours faithfully,

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