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Q5: Do you think that human rights are properly protected in Queensland? Why/why not?

There are many recent examples of human rights breaches in QLD. The 'Bikie Laws' which breaches peoples freedom to associate were a highly publicised example. There are also problems with the treatment of Indigenous people, including but not limited to, the incarceration of young people which is directly in breach of Australia's international law obligations, and the high rates of deaths in custody/near misses for Indigenous people in QLD. Further, QLD's treatment of 17 year olds as adults in the criminal justice system is another breach of our international law obligations.

Q6: Do you support the introduction of a Human Rights Act in Queensland? Why/why not?

Yes. It is important to introduce a human rights act in QLD to ensure our obligations under international law are upheld. It could also be used to consolidate legislation which already exists under other acts.

Q7: Can you think of a situation from your life or someone else's life that shows why Queensland needs a Human Rights Act?

The gender pay gap is prevalent in all industries and at all levels. Even in graduate positions, women still earn less than their male counterparts. This is an issue that affects all women and Amnesty QUT believes more needs to be done to counteract this issue.

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Q8: Which rights should be protected?

Right to recognition and equality before the law,

Right to life, Protection of family and children,

Right to participate in public life,

Protection from torture and cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment

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Cultural rights of ethnic religious or linguistic minorities

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Freedom from forced work, Property rights,

Freedom of movement,

Right to liberty and security of person,

Privacy and reputation,

Humane treatment when deprived on liberty,

Freedom of thought, conscience, religion and belief,

Rights of the children in the criminal process,

Freedom of expression, Right to a fair hearing,

Peaceful assembly and freedom of association,

Protection of rights in criminal proceedings and against retrospective criminal law

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Right to be tried or punished not more than once,

Right to housing, Right to education,

Right to adequate health care, Right to food,

Right to an adequate standard of living,

Right to safe, clean, healthy and sustainable environment

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Participation in cultural life