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

I think that informed, educated people with financial access to legal advice have our rights protected. However, many Queenslanders are vulnerable and potentially exploited if they lack the required literacy, support networks, education and/or finances to seek advice when their human rights may be violated. This includes some Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people, particularly youth, who are over-represented in prisons.

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

Yes. All Queenslanders should have their human rights explicitly enshrined in legislation, and learning about these rights - and the corresponding responsibilities - should be part of our education system and available in clear language for all citizens.

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

I have seen vulnerable old people, people with dementia, people with disabilities, people from socio-economically disadvantaged backgrounds and people from cultural and linguistic minority groups exploited and/or left without legal recourse at the hands of others, including relatives, police, carers.

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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

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