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

They could be improved such as freedom of assembly eg protest events. Freedoms we take for granted in a democracy could come under threat with a change to a more authoritarian government.

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

Yes. To enshrine in legislation certain freedoms that are given in a democracy, somewhat by custom and practice. It gives the community the opportunity to challenge government policies that are seen to be working against then. It gives the weak and the poor avenues for their voices to be heard. An act can also act as a buffer to the level of police power that is unacceptable to the community.

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 can remember the protests of the 1970s where peaceful protestors were assaulted mercilessly by police. The government of the time banned protests and assembly of more than three people so they could do whatever they wanted without question.

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Q8: Which rights should be protected?

Right to recognition and equality before the law,

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, 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 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