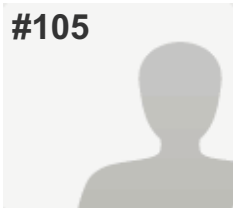


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Q1: Name

Chantal McNaught

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

No - Queenslanders' human rights are not adequately protected. This is due in part because of the unicameral system of parliament Queensland has, as well as there being no statutory check or balance protecting human rights from legislation which would seek to impede on those rights. As such, there is currently limited protection afforded to human rights, particularly regarding arbitrary detention, discrimination, and the right to free expression.

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

Absolutely I support the introduction of a Human Rights Act in Queensland. My reasons are three-fold: (1) to ensure all future legislation meets Australia's international obligations to afford basic human rights; (2) To allow a method of adequate law reform to ensure continued compliance with Australia's international obligations to afford human rights; and, (3) as an indirect method of increasing economic activity through the protection of citizens' rights while at work, in the community or at school.

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 been fortunate enough in life not to have experienced a direct violation of my human rights, however, a situation of concern which I see often is discrimination. Importantly, discrimination on the basis of gender, race, or sexual orientation. This is particularly true for qualified teachers in primary and secondary school; their sexual orientation becomes such an issue that employment is at risk on the basis of this discrimination. A Human Rights Act for Queensland would at least provide a foundation for eliminating discrimination such as this in public schools. This would ultimately mean that there would be more Queenslanders working towards the economic prosperity of the State.

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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
,
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
,
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
,
Participation in cultural life
