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

No. Because we take for granted what we believe to be basic human rights, such as the right to privacy and right of association, but nowhere is this codified in a legal sense. While we presume these rights are protected under common law, it still leaves our State vulnerable in that nowhere are such rights codified and comprehensively written down.

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

Yes, While democracy is generally a fairly sturdy method of government, we shouldn't presume on it. I have been recently alarmed by e.g. statements made by Donald Trump to the effect of allowing the use of torture by the military. I think this illustrates how easily even healthy democracies are capable of entertaining quite horrific abuses of human rights. Any extra protections via the legal system are to be welcomed.

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 was very concerned under the Newman Government a couple of years ago, to see the treatment of members of bikie gangs. While I'm all for the execution of justice wherever that is found to be warranted and proved, I believe that giving differential punishments to persons, just because they are members of certain groups is highly problematic and sets worrying precedents..

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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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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