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To all whom are concerned,

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I would like to address the issue of human rights and the need for legislation to protect people with a human rights act in Queensland. In the case of Campbell Newman introducing VLAD vicious lawless disestablishment act in 2013, called VLAD suggesting the laws are so severe as were the laws of Vlad 111 (Vlad the Impaler) Prince of Wallachia 1431-1477, whose brutality and punishments of the people were so horrific people were too afraid to commit crime. We no longer live in the dark ages and brutal punishments and severe laws are no longer acceptable in our modern society. We need a human rights act to prevent over zealous politicians from changing or introducing new laws that may have no place in modern Queensland. Campbell Newman made quite a few defamatory remarks publicly about bikies and motorcyclists in general, such things as "anyone who wears a leather jacket and rides a motorcycle is the scum of the Earth". In public media Campbell Newman has quoted "it's not innocents we're after it's the scum", clearly many of his comments in the media have been discriminatory and defamatory his own personal prejudice spilling over in every comment. He approaches the Queensland motorcycle community with neither professionalism or manners. So it becomes clear that a Human rights act is necessary to protect Queenslanders from discrimination, biased opinion and prejudice. It could all happen again with another politician and another minority or majority of the Queensland population. Most Queenslanders were very eager to vote Newman out of his position before anymore harm was done and money spent. Human rights legislation should protect peoples right to live the lifestyles they choose, that if a person chooses to ride a motorcycle and wear a leather jacket that they will not be desciminated against as being a criminal for example or have less rights than any other citizen in the state. Campbell Newman declared Outlaw motorcycle clubs to be "criminal gangs" but some of the club members were able to verify that they in fact had no criminal records and had never been charged with a crime. Therefore Campbell Newman based his laws and the title "criminal gangs" on assumption and not fact, considering that some of the members were able to verify no criminal history and legitimate occupations, then Campbell Newman is clearly prejudiced toward outlaw motorcycle clubs . In the most extreme case of prejudice and hatred we see Hitler who upon gaining political power slaughtered millions of Jews, unfortunately it is not ancient history but has happened in our more recent times. Hitler shows us it only takes one person to gain political power but that one person can devastate so many. A human rights act should definitely make certain that laws cannot be made and enforced upon just a segment of the community, for example if laws were made just for Aboriginies or just the Gay community , or only the Lebanese community or motorcycle community. Laws should encompass all people so that laws don't apply to one group of people as this is inequality. To say people of an outlaw motorcycle club are banned from congregating in a group of 3 or more people in a public place and that it is unlawfull is impinging on peoples basic rights and freedom,

what about weddings and other family get togethers such as birthdays, christenings and funerals, then to say it is lawful for all other people to do so is a gross inequality. A new and up to date Human rights (HR) act needs to protect Queenslanders rights when new laws are being introduced. Campbell Newman proposed that members of outlaw motorcycle clubs and their associates be given an additional 10 to 25 years in solitary confinement on top of the sentencing of whatever crime they are charged with. On the other hand the VLAD laws are also aimed at the whole population but we see them only enforced on "bikies" and their associates This has caused outrage and fear not only throughout Queensland but the world, Amnesty international was on board with the uproar and many professional people such as psychiatrists who pointed out the devastating effects on the human mind and mental health for people in solitary confinement for such long periods of time. Newman declared "war on bikies" regardless of who they are, and that he wanted Queensland jails full with bikies! Newman also proposed that he wanted the Outlaw motorcycle club members to be dressed in pink jumpsuits because they were intimidating. Campbell Newmans Vicious lawless disestablishment act (VLAD) is ludicrous in every degree. Australia was once called "the lucky country" we considered ourselves freer than most, but with bad politics and harsh penalties from politicians like Campbell Newman we could only consider ourselves unlucky. What ever happened to "a fair go".

Thank you for taking the time to read my submission on why we really do need to keep laws fair, and a human rights act that can protect our multi cultural, divergent and ever growing Queensland community from impracticable laws that have all the aspects of unfairness and inequality. thank you E M Mills