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**Industrial Relations  
(Transparency & Accountability  
of Industrial Organisations)  
Submission 005**

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Dear Attorney-General

**Re: Industrial Relations (Transparency and Accountability of Industrial Organisations) and Others Acts Amendment Bill**

On behalf of CANEGROWERS I wish to thank you for the opportunity to make the following submission in response to the Industrial Relations (Transparency and Accountability of Industrial Organisations) and Others Acts Amendment Bill.

CANEGROWERS is the peak representative body for Australian sugarcane growers. Around 80% of Queensland sugarcane growers are members of the CANEGROWERS. Queensland sugarcane growers produce around 95% of Australia's raw sugar output.

With respect to this Amendment Bill which was introduced on 30 April 2013 we note that today is the deadline for submissions by interested parties. We also note that the Bill has been referred to the Legal Affairs and Community Safety Committee for consideration and report to Parliament by 30 May 2013.

CANEGROWERS has reviewed the objectives of the Bill and recognises the importance of this matter. However, in our view there has not been sufficient time allowed for the Bill to be appropriately considered and to take into account its practical implications on implementation for our organisation and its operations.

For this reason CANEGROWERS requests the Government to delay its passage of the Bill until a later date to allow for relevant debate and consideration with stakeholders.

In this matter we support the submission of the Chamber of Commerce and Industry for your earnest consideration.

We would be happy to consult on this Bill with Stakeholders and Government at a later date to ensure appropriate debate and transparency for affected stakeholders.

Yours sincerely

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Cc: Mr Ian Berry MP Chair Legal Affairs and Community Safety Committee

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