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Duncan Pegg, MP
Chair, Legal Affairs and Safety Committee
Parliament House
Cnr George and Alice Streets
Brisbane Qld 4000

Dear Mr Pegg,

Submission re: Liquor and Other Legislation amendment Bill 2017

Further to your letter of 15 February 2017, regarding the above legislation, the North West Hospital and Health Service wishes to submit that problems continue to exist around the consumption and responsible service of alcohol in Queensland.

Lock out laws merely keep people drinking in one place at the same time, resulting in patrons of bars and clubs entering the streets at the same time, which is when liquor-fuelled violence seems to erupt.

The very tight time frame does not allow us to make any further observations or submissions on this topic, however we hope, for the sake of front line responders: Queensland health workers, paramedics and the Queensland Police Service, that better legislation will be put in place to help solve the problems of over consumption of alcohol and the ensuing violence that results.

Thank you,

Yours sincerely

Lisa Davies Jones
Health Service Chief Executive