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Member for **Ninderry**

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Via email police@ministerial.qld.gov.au

Dear Minister,

I am seeking your advice regarding the screening process for visitors at the State's correctional centres.

I have met with a constituent whose son is incarcerated at the Brisbane Correctional Centre. My constituent has twice failed the drug test that all visitors are required to pass before entering the facility, and now risks facing a period of non-contact with his son should he fail the procedure a third time.

I am confident that my constituent was not carrying any illicit or unapproved items, and that the fail results were the result of a flawed screening process.

There currently appears to be no recourse for visitors who fail this process, and I am concerned that visitors are being excluded for reasons outside of their control, such as faulty equipment and/or poor quality control.

I understand there is currently a petition circulating to change the security screening process at Arthur Gorrie Correctional Centre, and would appreciate your advice as to whether or not the Department of Corrective Services has any intention of reviewing the current policy.

I look forward to hearing from you in relation to this matter.

Yours sincerely



Dan Purdie MP

19th April, 2018.

Tabled by Hon Mark Ryan MP
At LACSC Estimator Hearing
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