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To: [Legal Affairs and Community Safety Committee](#)
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Dear Members,

Thank you for the opportunity to provide feedback on the Summary Offences and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2019.

I am writing to you to express my deep concern and opposition to these new laws, which are disproportionate, overreaching, and appear to have no evidential basis.

My name is Dante, and I am an Australian taxpayer.

The claims of lock-on pipes as a method of harming police and safety officers are backed by no evidence; your use of dangerous sounding nomenclature such as “sleeping dragon” is a naked attempt to corrupt the objectivity of public perception, made all the more obvious by the fact that the government has not offered a single example of violent use of these devices across their long history. Peaceful civil disobedience is a recognised pillar of democracy and in fact the origin of Queensland Labor Party itself (the shearers’ strike 1891), which renders your current attempts to label it as a form of violence all the more sinister.

The rejection of facts and rights for the sake of multinational corporate interests is a blatant rejection of the principles of democracy, and indeed of this Australian democracy in particular. Moreover, it illustrates a wilful ignorance of the real danger of the climate emergency, for which cause these peaceful protests are taking place.

The government’s evident disregard for both the history of our country and the future of humanity itself is nothing short of a disgrace. I urge the Honourable Members to repeal these new laws.