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Legal Affairs and Community Safety Committee

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To whom it may concern.

I started riding motorcycles as a kid on a farm rounding up cattle, trail riding and moto cross.

I got my learners permit, then P plates and was a postie for several years and have ridden all forms of motorcyles in all weather (including snow)) in the 37 yrs I have held a licence!

motorcycling is a culture, a fraternity of like minded people of a cross section of riders from lawyers, judges, teachers labourers etc whether social, recreational or motorcycle club members!

I am over 1/2 a century old, I dont have a criminal conviction, I have never tried to Join a motorcycle club in that time either social or "outlaw" club!

I consider myself a biker (not a bikie) my motorcycle usually resides inside my house, when my son was born it shared the same room!

I am an introvert by nature but I enjoy riding with other like minded people this included military clubs, religious clubs and inevitably some outlaw club rides.

despite never being a club member of anysort I was arrested for attending a public ride for being an alleged participant in a outlaw club, I have had my 26 yr old harley seized and image televised across Australia and in newspapers! almost 20 months later I am still going through court!

Vlad laws were a costly knee jerk reaction by ill informed government and a grossly biased media that successfully wasted hundreds of millions of taxpayers money without a single "bikie" conviction under Vlad!

all convictions were under laws existing prior to Vlad so a simple solution would have been to make tougher sentences that targets the perpetrators not innocent public members caught up in a feeding frenzy of propaganda and falsified police and media announcements!

which brings me to the new proposals;

banning clubs wearing colours in public will waste police time in trying to discern between who is and who isnt a "bikie"!

innocent riders will indiscriminately be targetted, harrassed and detained to ascertain if they are a bikie,

where as alloying bikies to wear colours immediately Identify them and the club they belong to!

allowing clubhouses also give police an opportunity to monitor clubs and members in one location rather than hundreds of individual locations thus cutting resources and cost of surveilance and can free up police for domestic violence, robberies etc!

consorting!!

consorting laws of NSW have proven effective in harrassing indigenous people rather than the alleged Bikie scene , one of the first arrested under NSW's recent consorting laws was a young indigenous man in Inverell NSW!

consorting laws theoretically are to stop criminals hanging out with each other not to stop innocent people being arrested for talking to them!

all groups have people with criminal records, a drink driving offence is a criminal record, let alone robbery violence etc,

I live in QLD I dont know what the guy or girl sitting opposite me at

McDonalds has done!

I was at the rest present. funeral and watched her alleged murder carry her coffin as did the rest present.

People dont have a floating sign above their heads saying they have committed crimes but are expected under consorting laws to have psychic abilities!

consorting laws can give biased police reason to further harrass inocent people instead of targetting real criminals!

I stated before I am over 50 yrs old and have no criminal convictions that is because I choose what path I take in life, I have never been approached by any motorcycle club or member to commit or conspire to commit a crime, I have known members of military religious clubs and outlaw clubs with no convictions which dispells the allegations of criminal organisations etc!

QPS has had its fairshare of criminal activity of late and polices it's self instead of through independent tribunal which perpetuates the mistrust QPS has in the community! If the government were truely committed to these laws why weren't churches targetted for their documented involement with child exploitation and covering up evidence etc??

how does Queensland not have laws against media misleading the public? letting media accuse politicians for soft approach when a commonsense approach is needed! Vlad has impacted more on innocent people than actual criminals at huge expense to the public yet LNP like to flog the dead horse and say it was a success, in the meantime crime has increased on the gold coast

I had two southport police officers drive to woodridge to confirm I was at home in the middle of the night on several occassions despite not being a bail condition and being 5 minutes from woodridge police station.

4 police hand deliver a \$49 parking ticket on a sunday moning for staying 20 mins in a 15 min spot then threaten me!

55 random licence checks without a single ticket!!

police car blocking driveway for 20 minutes november 2013,

my arrest was on the morning the new government was sworn in, about 2 months after I was protesting outside Newman's office and was even questioned about the election by 4BC, after the ride I was singled out of around 120 other members of the public on the ride, despite police stopping people and screening them from going on the ride, I wasnt stopped nor approached or warned of any consequences in short I believe I was set up because of my political stance againt basic human right to ride on a public ride to hopefully raise money for a charity in the process!

no wonder QPS get no respect.

Thanking you for the opportunity to have a say! Dave Griffey