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To: Legal Affairs Police Corrective Services and Emerg Svc Committee
Subject: Submission - Police Powers and Responsibilities and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2011.

Thank you for the opportunity to submit an opinion in regards to these legislative changes.

I am currently a Sole Operator Sex Worker who is forced to work alone under the current legislation which has left me open to dangers that other occupations don't have to subject themselves to.

I wish to put forth my opinion in regards to this change in legislation allowing police officers to ask for unprotected services and be exempt from any kind of prosecution for their actions. I find this legislative suggestion is in dangerous territory as it puts Sole Operator Sex Workers in a vulnerable position of potential harrassment and bribery by police. Police will have the right to offer copious amounts of money to Sex Workers to a point of where a Sex Worker will stop saying no to an unprotected service and say yes because of the harassment received from the officer.

Our problem in Queensland is cross border prostitutes coming here offering their services without condoms thereby creating the demand in the client sector for such services. This type of prostitution needs to be stopped.

The police should be more highly focused on our current problem of illegal Asian prostitution which is running rampant in just about every suburb in Brisbane and has quadrupled in the last two and a half years. Where these girls often do not have a choice in the services they offer as they are being pimped and exploited.

I find it really perversely disturbing at the thought of a police officer coming in and discussing in depth my services and then he gets up and either leaves or flashes his badge. There's something creepy about it and it is wrong. How do we or you know that the police officer isn't getting a perverse pleasure from such discussions??

This type of power is not acceptable.

Kind Regards
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