

## Body Corporate and Community Management and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2023

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### Submitter Comments:

I am grateful for the opportunity to make a submission, and my focus is particularly on the proposed amendments for pets. I believe it is important for all involved to have a better understanding of the challenges faced by people like myself in high rise dwellings. I have lived in the same Gold Coast high rise for more than 20 years and have a good understanding of some of the shortcomings of life in buildings where there are pets. The Bill recognizes there may be health and safety reasons for a committee to decline a pet application, but the nuances of dander transference is not understood by all, meaning that despite the draft wording, some body corporate committees may permit a pet not understanding the potentially serious affects this can have on someone like myself with anaphylaxis or others with other allergies, phobias and the like. As appears at this time, there are almost no buildings that are pet free, meaning anyone wanting to reside in a high rise who has a health or wellness issue with respect to pets, has no choice. I believe consideration must be given for some buildings to be able to be safe havens for people like myself who need, or want to live pet free but enjoy the high rise lifestyle. Please do consider amendments to allow non pet buildings as is seen in some other countries.