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RECENSO LEGAL COMPONENT AND ADMINISTENTIE MINIEM COMMITTEE Submission No 22 Spec 3.4

To The Research Director, Legal, Constitutional and Review Committee Parliament House, George Street Brisbane.4000. Queensland. 20/09/98.

Submission in reference to report No 10 of May 1998 on the Consolidation of the Queensland Constitution.

Dear Sirs,

It has come to my attention that there have been some substantial changes recommended to the Queensland Constitution which in fact are quite improper. I refer to the "Requirement for Referendum" as noted in Section53(1) of the Queensland Constitution Act of 1867-1988.

"A Bill that expressly or impliedly provides for the abolition of, or alteration in, the office of Governor or, that expressly or impliedly, in any way affects, any of the following sections of this Act, namely sections 1,2,2A, 11a,11B, 14 and this section 53 shall not be presented for assent by or in the name of the Queen, unless it has first been approved by the electors in accordance with this section, and a bill so assented to consequent upon its presentation in contravention of this subsection shall be of no affect as an Act."

I therefore call upon the Review Committee, to follow the above injunction and call for a referendum.

I ask that you would acknowledge receipt of this letter and forward to me at the above address a copy of the Committee's deliberations.

I have also forwarded a copy of this letter to my local member Len Stephan M.L.A. as well as other Members of Parliament.

Yours, Norman Riek

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