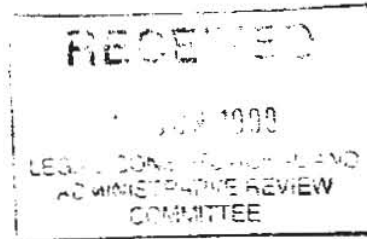


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Mr. G. Fenlon MLA,  
 Chair,  
 Inquiry into Transplantation and Anatomy Amendment Bill 1998,  
 Legislative Assembly of Queensland,  
 Parliament House,  
 George Street,  
 Brisbane, Qld, 4000.

Dear Mr. Fenlon,

**Inquiry into Transplantation and Anatomy Amendment Bill 1998**

Thank you for the opportunity of commenting on the proposed legislation to amend the *Transplantation and Anatomy Act 1979*. We understand that the amendment is to 'give legal effect to the marking of the organ donor space in the driver's licence'. The Victorian Coordinating Committee on Organ Donation supports this act of amendment but makes the following comment:

that Section 2 which begins *For sections 22(6) and 23(3) ... ..* include on the second line the word 'organs' in addition to 'tissue', i.e. the second line would read: *writing by the person consenting to the removal after death of organs and tissue from....*

If, however, the current Act includes organs under the term 'tissue' then such an alteration would not be necessary.

The Victorian Coordinating Committee on Organ Donation is a body which represents all groups involved in organ donation in Victoria and major transplantation services.

Yours sincerely,

**Napier M. Thomson,**  
 Chairman,  
 Victorian Coordinating Committee on Organ Donation.