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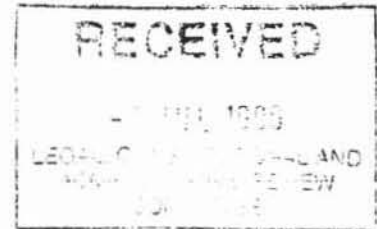
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Mr Gary Fenlon MLA
Chair Legal, Constitutional
and Administrative Review Committee
Legislative Assembly of Queensland
Parliament House
George Street
BRISBANE QLD 4000



Attention: Ms Kerry Newton

Dear Mr Fenlon

***re: Inquiry into the Transplantation
and Anatomy Amendment Bill 19998***

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on your Transplantation and Anatomy Amendment Bill.

I write on behalf of the Organ and Tissue Donation Coordination Committee of South East Health in NSW to support the acceptance of drivers licence notation in Queensland as evidence of both "advance directive" for donation and consent for procurement of tissues and organs after death.

We understand that earlier legislation was written before it became common practice to note one's wishes on driver's licences. We also understand that there will be a need to have this new Bill consistent with other "power of attorney" legislation in Queensland also being reviewed at this time.

The experience of clinicians in our Area Health Service has been that the driver's licence notation has been helpful in reinforcing the decisions made by families at a very emotional time in their lives.

Yours sincerely,

Deborah Green
Chief Executive Officer

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