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Email received from: John C Ridd Date received: 14 August 2008

Parliamentary inquiry re organ donations.

My name is John Ridd, I am an elector in the Mulgrave constituency.

I wish to inform your committee that I support an alteration to the law so that it is assumed that my organs are available for use UNLESS I say otherwise in writing.

Research from UK indicates that for a lot of issues - of which organ donations is one - the driving force is public laziness. It therefore follows that the current default position which is that it is assumed that I am NOT a donor must be reversed.

In future the default position should be that it is assumed that a person is a donor unless stated to the contrary in writing.

I urge Queensland to be in the forefront on this important issue.

Sincerely,

John Ridd.

I am forwarding a copy of this to my two sons for information.