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## RE: Inquiry into the future and continued relevance of Government land tenure across Queensland

Thank you for the opportunity to respond to the Parliamentary Inquiry into 'the Future and Continued Relevance of Government Land Tenure across Queensland.'

As a primary producer, my future business is predicated on secure tenure and regulation.

Below, I have detailed my concerns and issues associated with my tenure and attempted to provide some suggested methods through which these could be addressed.

## **My Enterprise**

- · I hold the following tenure type/s
  - Pastoral Holding/Term Lease
  - Freehold Land
- · My primary production includes
  - Cattle

## **My Tenure Issues**

· I believe that the following conditions or actions by Government have affected my ability to manage this land effectively

- · Increasing regulation and loss of rights on freehold land
- Onerous and/or poor conditions set by lease agreements
- High leasehold rents are rendering my business unprofitable
- · This issue/s have affected my enterprise because:

over the past ten years our rental has more than trebled along with all our input costs, whilst the earning capacity of our enterprise has not increased at all.

· My suggested solutions to rectify this issue/s are:

that rental levels should be more related to the earning capacity of the land rather than market value, which is of no significance to the landholders unless they wish to sell.

Again, thank you for the opportunity to comment on this significant inquiry.

Best regards,

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