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То:	State Development Infrastructure and Industry Committee
Subject:	Submissions
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Gary Andrews



The Research Director State Development, Infrastructure and Industry Committee Parliament House

Dear sir / madam,

RE: Make a Submission to an Inquiry into the Sustainable Planning and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2012

I wish to object to the proposed Bill in which the Losing party pays costs: * provide that the losing party in a proceeding pays the costs of the proceeding in the Planning and Environment Court of Queensland, unless the court orders otherwise

I wish to object that a developer can be allowed without all mandatory supporting information: * give the assessment manager the discretion to accept development applications which do not have all the mandatory supporting information

I object to the two above points because communities have the right to object to a development without being penalized for bringing their concerns to court. Local Councils are the only ones who really know about the local issues involved - eg environmental factors, endangered flora and fauna, flooding, pollution, areal spraying, noise, danger to communities with traffic etc.

Bureaucrats in ivory towers are beholden to the developers with millions to splash. Council money should not be squandered in trying to uphold the town plan.

signed electronically.

Gary Andrews.