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**I, as a Queensland primary producer,** support the changes you have proposed, however, have suggested some further recommendations with the Bill.

**My production type is** Beef Cattle

**The land tenure on my property is** Freehold

**I have Remnant Vegetation found on my property** Yes

**I have High Value Regrowth Vegetation found on my property** No

**My main issue/s with the current vegetation management framework is:**  
Overly complex process to obtain a development application/permit for vegetation management  
The length of time taken to obtain a development approval/permit for vegetation management  
The length of time to utilise a permit/development approval is too short (currently 5 years) and doesn't allow for long-term property planning  
Incorrect mapping  
Over-administration or administration of vegetation management by inexperienced departmental staff

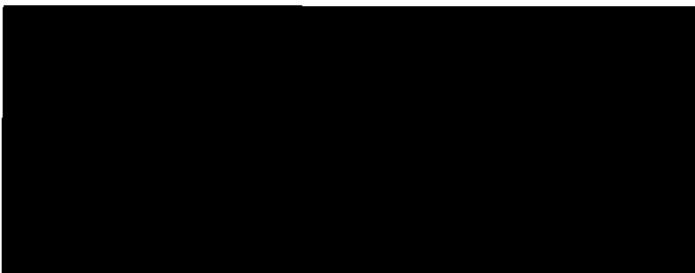
**If this Bill is passed it will mean the following for my property in terms of improved productive, environmental and/or social aspects:**  
It would improve my ability to environmentally & sustainably manage the balance between trees and pasture and this would partially restore the productive capacity of the property. Currently the productive capacity is well below half of the production capacity as compared to over 70 years ago which was when my family first owned and operated the property. Stock numbers from accounts of the 1930's confirm this. Photos confirm the dramatic change in vegetation (thickening) which has occurred over the period especially since the change from sheep to cattle in the past 15 years.

**If I could propose further changes to the legislation these changes would include:**  
\* Freehold tenure to be returned to the same conditions as before the Veg Management Act 1999 with some regulations acceptable to landholders.  
\*fodder harvesting to be allowed as and when required on freehold  
\*treatments of regrowth/thickening as required to maintain environmental balance and productivity on freehold.

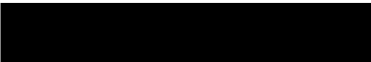
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