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I am a Voter in Queensland and Volunteer for Kumbartcho Sanctuary, which contains the LAST riverine rainforest in what is now the Moreton Bay Regional Council Area.

When the area was controlled by the Pine Rivers Shire Council, it was proposed to subdivide the Sanctuary and the Riverine Rainforest for Residential purposes.

It was only through local community action that this was avoided and it is for that reason that I wish to express my support for the passing of the **Vegetation Management and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2018**.

I strongly endorse the Bill in:

- **seeking to scrap high value agriculture as a relevant clearing purpose,**
- **protect high conservation value regrowing woodlands, scrap the thinning code,**
- **extend Reef riparian areas,**

to terminate current Area Management Plans.

I also strongly endorse amendments to the Bill:

to totally remove 'managing thickened vegetation' provisions, to guarantee no new self-assessable code for thinning or new Area Management Plans were possible in the future.

I respectfully ask that the Committee examine options for recommending changes to the Bill and codes accordingly, and to ensure that the above reforms are fully translated into practice.

Even with these reforms, I believe there will be more work to be done in bringing about an end to remnant clearing in Queensland, to better protect threatened species including koalas and their habitats, and to comprehensively protect native woodlands.

Yours Sincerely,
