Vegetation Management and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2018	Submission No. 242
ABOUT TIME FOR THE REAL STATISTICS	

To The SDNRAIDC committee. I am writing to express strong belief against the new Vegetation Management Laws.

World wildlife fund says, quote

"clearing of native bushland has jumped by 300,000 hectares in 5 years "



what percent of that 300,000 hectares was used as fodder to keep stock alive during the drought? and of that, what percent of Mulga regenerated itself within the first 6 months?

Annastacia Palaszczuk says, quote

"stronger land clearing laws will help prevent the extinction of koalas"



Premier Annastacia Palaszczuk with Nala the Koala at Daisy Hill Koala centre on Saturday.

The Koala Foundation estimates there are less than 100,000 koalas left in Australia with loss of habitat usually the first to be blamed. But, as found in a University of Queensland study released last year, cars and chlamydia <u>were the major cause</u> of a rise in koala deaths from 1997 to 2013 in south-east Queensland. The Koala Foundation believes there are 1000 koalas in the Redland, Logan, Brisbane and Pine Rivers shires compared with 30,000 in 1988. Koala Foundation CEO Deborah Tabart OAM said "urban development was a <u>major</u> threat to koalas."

Out of the 300,000 hectares cleared of native bushland, what percent of it was in regions where koalas reside?

Queensland Premier says, quote

"the top priority of her new government is to create jobs for Queenslanders"



Agricultural supports the jobs of 1.6million Australians, accounting for 17.2% of the national workforce. Agriculture in Australia continues to be a driving force creating new jobs, boosting the economy and encouraging innovation. Queensland is the largest beef producing state, accounting for almost half of the national cattle herd.

What percent will this drop by and how will this affect our economy when a high percentage of Graziers are no longer able to sustainably manage their own land, and are forced to no longer operate?

Regards,

-Bonnie Sargood