

Response to Queensland Civil and Administrative Tribunal and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2018.

14th January 2019

Thank you for the opportunity to respond to the current QCAT Legislation Amendment Bill 2018.

My interest is around the motor vehicle disputes component of the bill, due to my own personal experience and that of the hundreds of people who have come to me for guidance with their faulty vehicle.

I support and applaud the work of the Attorney General of Queensland, as well as the Committees involved in the "Lemon Laws Enquiry" that started this investigation.

I fully support lifting QCAT's jurisdictional limit on motor vehicles from \$25,000 to \$100,000.

I fully support redefining the term 'vehicle' to include motorhomes and caravans.

I fully support reinstating the statutory warranty for 'class B' older second-hand vehicles sold by motor dealers and chattel auctioneers.

I fully support continuing to advocate for national laws to specifically protect new car buyers, including purchases of 'lemon' vehicles.

I would be keen to see the QCAT limit removed altogether in the future, to align with VCAT and NCAT (for vehicles), as this would provide more coverage for owners of motorhomes and caravans, as these vehicles are regularly over \$100,000.

Thank you,

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