

Youth Justice Reform Select Committee inquiry into youth justice reform in Queensland

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Parents need to be held accountable for the harm their children cause if the court deems that the parent has failed in the care. Courts need to motivate parents to do better in the supervision of their children. when a child seems negative consequences for his family because of his offences, it may assist in curbing the behaviour. Victim Assist needs to be expanded, and made more accessible. Currently it does not accommodate the fact that many of our victims may not have the resources, skills, or technology to navigate this complex and difficult application process. Working with a child harmed who is being cared for by a grandparent, and the grandparent cannot make the Victims Assist application on her own. Toowoomba does not appear to have a Victims Assist liaison officer, however Ipswich did. The application for support should be able to be done face to face at a courthouse in all major centers, even if this is only a few days a month.