

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

Submission No: 198
Submitted by: STEPHEN CAREY
Publication: Making the submission and your name public
Attachments: No attachment

Submitter Comments:

Please raise the age for children to be placed in jails to a minimum of 14 years, because: * The human brain does not mature after teenage years * Jailing children is a waste of public money because it causes more harm - * Making children do a structured program IS making THEM take responsibility for their actions, NOT letting them off the hook. It's not about blame * it's about being responsible to direct them away from a life of crime . * we have relatives in Queensland * people who have been in jail move around the country so thereby increasing the potential for harm and cost to other states and territories. In other words this is a National issue yes something must be done - spend money on programs more likely to work.