

**Question on Notice**  
**No. 631**  
**Asked on 23 May 2023**

**MS S BOLTON** ASKED MINISTER FOR POLICE AND CORRECTIVE SERVICES AND MINISTER FOR FIRE AND EMERGENCY SERVICES (HON M RYAN)—

QUESTION:

With reference to recent community debate regarding legalised clothing optional beaches in Queensland— Will the Minister commit to reviewing the operation of wilful exposure laws, or provide the rationale and data as to why not?

ANSWER:

I am advised by the Queensland Police Service (QPS) that unlawful public nudity is captured by the wilful exposure provisions in the *Summary Offences Act 2005* (the Act).

I am informed by the QPS that these provisions are designed to provide for the protection and safety of all Queenslanders and apply to all public spaces.

The Government has no plans to change the current laws dealing with wilful exposure provisions in the Act. However, it is a matter for other government entities, including local governments, as to whether they wish to establish otherwise public areas as designated areas where lawful public nudity is permitted and to request the requisite legislative amendment to support this and outline how, if any, protective measures will work.