

A Human Rights Act for Queensland

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Dear Attorney,

A Human Rights Act for Queensland

The Premier's announcement that your Government will introduce a Human Rights Act was welcomed in October last year by community organisations and individuals throughout Queensland.

The widespread support for the introduction of a Human Rights Act in Queensland is evidenced by the organisations that have endorsed this letter.

We are writing to you because we are concerned that Queensland's human rights bill has not been introduced. We believe it must be introduced as soon as possible to ensure that the bill is passed into law before an election is called.

A Human Rights Act will protect all Queenslanders against the unjust or arbitrary exercise of public power. This means Queenslanders from all walks of life – from a young mother seeking to escape domestic violence without a safe place to live, to people in remote locations without access to adequate health-care or education – could potentially utilise a Human Rights Act when seeking proper protection of their rights.

A Human Rights Act is an essential safeguard in Queensland to ensure that any future government properly respects, protects and fulfils human rights.

We look forward to your response.

Yours faithfully,


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Campaign Coordinator



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