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Dear Member,

CABINET SUED FOR DEFYING THE LAW

The reason Cabinet is being sued by me and the producer of the milk I need for my health is made clear in the attached copy correspondence. You will see that all relevant persons have been unequivocally put on notice that banning fresh food is unnecessary and not lawful and have totally ignored all representations put to them as well as a petition signed by 800 voters.

Please read the submission and two letters attached, then consider that the only responses given have been :

A denial by the Minister for Primary Industry that he is subject to the Judicial Review Act for his flawed decision making (which is plain wrong),

An acknowledgement letter signed by Warren Pitt as chair of the Scrutiny of Legislation Committee which did not indicate what was done about my complaint, and

A thus far successful move to con cabinet into putting an unlawful Bill before you. This was done by the fraud of a public servant perjuring himself in a court of law as to there being manure in meat coming from the same farm as the milk produced by my co-applicant in the Supreme Court proceedings just filed against cabinet. This (totally unsubstantiated, discredited and rebutted in court) lie, is now being cited as fact by the Premier and the Health Minister in an irrelevant but emotive attempt to justify their hounding of Queenslanders wanting to produce and buy fresh milk. If you pass their flawed Bill, it will be subjected to the same fate as Paul Keating's Act banning electoral advertising - disallowed in the Courts as obnoxious in a free country and thus beyond the capacity of Parliament to make.

I, and many others are sick of being treated with contempt when we take the trouble to put good law, good science, good policy and good sense repeatedly before bureaucrats or Ministers who don't bother to even think about the matters raised or just ignore everything not on their personal agenda.

PLEASE : Talk to people who know their science, law, good sense and morality. Attempts to sneak through legislation which you probably did not realise the practical effect of, but which actually dictates to Queenslanders that they may not have fresh, quality food for their children and themselves is entirely unethical and contravenes law and Public Policy as well as human rights. It also opens the door on farmers being criminalised and penalised for providing top quality health producing food.

Members of Parliament like you and cabinet Ministers are legislators, not dictators and there are rules; they are called The Rule of Law. Banning fresh food is not on in Australia. It is still a free country, after all. (Isn't it ?)

It is time those people trying to pull off this stunt learnt that because you are too busy trying to keep abreast of the multitude of issues coming before the Parliament, you depend on them for factual briefings and sound advice on those matters. By needlessly seeking to interfere with the rights and liberties of citizens in outlawing fresh, wholesome food under guise of just another amendment Bill, they have let you down badly.

They have also asked you personally to contravene the Legislative Standards Act by voting for their obscene and needless measure to compel Queenslanders to ingest chemically modified food if they want dairy produce at all.. Please don't let the people of Queensland down. Reject this move to dictate what we may eat.

Many western countries have lawful supply of raw milk under simple and appropriate supervision by health authorities, much as presently happens in Queensland with Goats milk. In California alone there are more people with access to raw, unmodified cows milk than there are Australians. There have been no health problems there, let alone in the other half of the United States and much of Europe where raw milk is part of mainstream dairy food supply.

Remember, it is only in recent times that raw milk was NOT available in Queensland. Good management and hygiene in dairies handles the (merely possible) risk of milk becoming a vector for disease. Pasteurisation only obscures bad hygiene practices but, by chemically modifying the milk, destroys most of the food value - needlessly. As in my submission (attached) let the authorities discharge their responsibilities for public health by putting consumers on notice on a label that there are possible issues with disease in untreated milk. Of course, there are **inevitable**, not merely possible health problems with cigarettes and YOU allow those to be sold to adult Queenslanders with a health warning on the label.
Can we please have our real milk that way too ?

The Queensland bureaucrats of food misleadingly keep implying that they cannot change some 'national' dairy standard. What rubbish ! The FSANZ Code (at 1.6.1) specifically leaves it up to each state to make its own rules for unpasteurised supply.

I trust that, with your help, sanity can finally prevail - that it is now acknowledged that Queenslanders may actually choose what they want to eat and this obnoxious part of the Primary Industries and Other Legislation Amendment Bill is *now withdrawn* by the Labor Party or rejected by the Queensland Parliament.

Yours sincerely,

Bruce Bell.

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