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The Hon. Justice Paul de Jersey AC
Chief Justice of Queensland
PO Box 15167
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Dear Chief Justice

QLS Submission on the *Civil & Criminal Jurisdiction Reform and Modernisation Amendment Bill*

I provide you with a copy of the Queensland Law Society's submission with regard to the draft *Civil & Criminal Jurisdiction Reform and Modernisation Amendment Bill*, which contains the response of the Government to the report prepared by Mr Martin Moynihan AO QC.

I have commended the Attorney-General for releasing this draft Bill for open public consultation. It contains such fundamental reform proposals for our civil and criminal justice systems that extensive public debate is essential.

The Society has, however, made some strong statements with regard to the proposals and is concerned that the reforms will not result in an efficient, cost-effective and fair civil and criminal justice system for the benefit of all Queenslanders.

Yours faithfully


Peter Eardley
President