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Dr David Solomon AM
Chair
FOI Independent Review Panel
GPO Box 5236
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Dear Dr Solomon,

I welcome the announcement by the Premier to review the FOI process.

Given the lengthy delays and mounting costs associated with the FOI process the need to overhaul the system could not be more timely.

We anticipate the submissions received by the independent review panel and look forward to the Government adopting all of the proposed recommendations.

The Queensland Coalition is committed to an open and accountable government and this is achieved through an open and accountable FOI system.

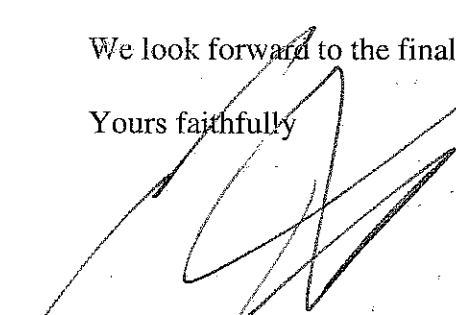
The Queensland Coalition introduced a bill into parliament last year that calls for open reporting on government/private contracts.

http://www.legislation.qld.gov.au/Bills/52PDF/2007/FOIOpeGovAB07_P.pdf

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We look forward to the final report by the independent panel.

Yours faithfully


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