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Dear Neil

I refer to your letter of 13 March 2008 regarding an e-petition tabled in the Legislative Assembly on 11 March 2008. E-petition number 980-08 refers to underage drinking and alcohol misuse by minors.

Please find enclosed a copy of my response to Ms R Emerson.

I would be grateful if you could arrange for my response to Ms Emerson to be tabled in Parliament. As requested, an electronic copy of the letters will be forwarded to the Tabling Office.

Yours sincerely

[Signature]

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Ms R Emerson
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Dear Ms Emerson

Thank you for your e-petition regarding the problems associated with underage drinking in our community.

The Queensland Government has recently undertaken a review of the *Liquor Act 1992* which has been the subject of extensive consultation with the liquor and hospitality industry and the broader community.

The Liquor Act currently prohibits people from supplying alcohol to minors on licensed premises or in public places. The further prevention of underage drinking remains a high priority, and in this regard the Government's proposed legislative amendments seek to double the fines for offences associated with the supply of alcohol to minors. The Government is also committed to introducing secondary supply provisions into the Liquor Act which will make it an offence for adults to recklessly supply alcohol to minors in private places. It is proposed that parents or other adults would be liable for up to \$6000 if found guilty of this offence.

A major social marketing campaign which aims to improve social and cultural attitudes towards the abuse and misuse of alcohol is a central aspect of the Government's liquor reform framework. An aspect of this campaign will focus on informing parents of the new secondary supply provision.

I trust this information is of assistance.

Yours sincerely

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