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Legal and Constitutional Affairs References Committee  
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Dear Senator Lazarus *Glenn*

I write in reference to the Senate Legal and Constitutional Affairs References Committee inquiry into a nationally-consistent approach to alcohol-fuelled violence.

Mr David Ford, Deputy Director-General Liquor, Gaming and Fair Trading and Commissioner for Liquor and Gaming, represented the Queensland Government at the Committee hearing held in Brisbane on 15 April 2016. In this regard, I am advised that Senator Joe Ludwig asked Mr Ford to seek my views as to whether Queensland would participate in a national strategy process to bring about change at the State and Federal level, and for national conformity around relevant laws. I am pleased to provide a response to this question taken on notice.

The Palaszczuk Government is acutely aware of community concerns in relation to alcohol-fuelled violence and it welcomes the Committee's consideration of strategies for reducing alcohol-fuelled violence and one-punch related deaths and injuries across Australia.

In this regard, I would be pleased to consider the Committee's report and recommendations as well as subsequently consulting with both my Cabinet and inter-jurisdictional colleagues, before making a final determination in regard to Queensland's participation in any proposed national forum.

Thank you for seeking my views on this issue.

Yours sincerely

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