

SUBMISSION NO. 051

From:
Sent: Monday, 7 November 2016 8:14 AM
To: tradinghoursreview <tradinghoursreview@justice.qld.gov.au>
Subject: Opening hours

Please bring Queensland into the 21st century and let businesses open when they want. If you open it they will come.

SUBMISSION NO. 052

From:
Sent: Monday, 7 November 2016 8:14 AM
To: tradinghoursreview <tradinghoursreview@justice.qld.gov.au>
Subject: Extend the trading hours

I completely support this decision! Coming from regional NSW I was shocked to find out that supermarkets were only open Monday to fri 8-8:30 and weekends roughly 9-5:30! Even in a smaller town they would be open 6am -11 even 12! And same on weekend! This would positively effect a lot of people and create more jobs in the area!

SUBMISSION NO. 053

Tristan Stania

To whom it concerns,

I had no idea that Car Yards weren't open on Sunday because they're not allowed to. This is such an inconvenience for people wanting to purchase cars. And ditto with Bunnings and Coles/Woollies trading hours on Sat/Sun. Who created these archaic laws??

Every business should be allowed to operate 6am-9pm 7 days a week, including car yards. This country is being slowed down by these ridiculous bureaucratic regulations. Opening hours should be a business decision of the business owners. If they can afford to run a commercial business 7 days a week and fund the staff, then let them. And as far as the argument for "protecting employees" goes, I run a small business and I work 7 days a week. Uni students can work on weekends, and so can anybody else. There are so many people out there looking for work, extending trading hours will simply create more jobs. People need to toughen up as this country is full of a bunch of wingers. I'm 36, born and bred aussie, and have been fortunate to travel to and learn about very poor countries. We have it so good here, yet people still whinge and whine about everything. And I'm fed up with government bureaucracy slowing the economy down with their nanny state rules and regulations.

I must say, that if Labour can manage to pass new laws freeing trading hours then I'll be duly impressed. But I very much doubt it as they have no courage to implement change. We just came from one government that tried to change everything overnight with a sledge hammer, to another government that's too scared to do anything.

Regards,
Tristan Stania

SUBMISSION NO. 054

From:
Sent: Monday, 7 November 2016 8:50 AM
To: tradinghoursreview <tradinghoursreview@justice.qld.gov.au>
Subject: Trading hours

Something to consider - All retail to close at 5pm on Christmas Eve regardless of the day. Some families celebrate Christmas on Christmas Eve and others need to travel to family for Christmas Day. This would allow this to happen. Not everyone who works in retail can leave at this time.

SUBMISSION NO. 055

From: Torin Luxford
Sent: Monday, 7 November 2016 8:51 AM
To: tradinghoursreview <tradinghoursreview@justice.qld.gov.au>
Subject: Caryards trading Sunday.

Dear Sir/Madam , I work in the Car Industry and what little family life I have would be gone with Sunday trading. Please reconsider this idea. Regards Torin Luxford.

SUBMISSION NO. 056

From: Tracey Southwell
Sent: Monday, 7 November 2016 9:03 AM
To: tradinghoursreview <tradinghoursreview@justice.qld.gov.au>
Subject: Please deregulate trading hours

Dear John Mickell

Here is my vote to de-regulate all shopping hours so that we can access hardware stores from 6am on weekends and large butcher shops are free to open whenever they like and we can buy caravans and not just boats on a Sunday.

Many thanks

Tracey Southwell

SUBMISSION NO. 057

From:
Sent: Monday, 7 November 2016 9:25 AM
To: tradinghoursreview <tradinghoursreview@justice.qld.gov.au>
Subject: trading hours

Please give some consideration to the Government gradually exiting retail hours altogether. A 5 year programme would allow small businesses to adjust. john hall

SUBMISSION NO. 058

From: Scott
Sent: Monday, 7 November 2016 9:25 AM
To: tradinghoursreview <tradinghoursreview@justice.qld.gov.au>
Subject: RE Trading hours

To whom it may concern,

In relation to the review of Car yard trading hours, I am totally against the idea of 7 day a week trading.

As the director of the business I already work 6 days a week, with little to no time off with my wife and 2 children.

If 7 day a week trading is brought into the act, I will have to employ more staff which will cost the company more money on what is already a very hard market competing against private and back yard operations.

It might be great idea for the consumer though will destroy the limited family life that I have.

Please feel free to call and discuss further XXXXXXXX

Regards
Scott Lyddiard

SUBMISSION NO. 059

From: Greaves, Dean
Sent: Monday, 7 November 2016 9:46 AM
To: tradinghoursreview <tradinghoursreview@justice.qld.gov.au>
Subject: MMmmm

<http://www.townsvillebulletin.com.au/news/national/bid-for-shakeup-of-opening-hours-at-hardware-stores-car-yards/news-story/683ae3d6f47309a34d53fa56b9461d86>

Hi

Is this a coincidence or is it me. Now that Masters is closing down Bunnings will be given a bigger opportunity to over take the privately owned hardware stores that cant afford to pay the dollars to open early and compete. Same for the used car market.

Maybe Master and the small used car yards, should have been given the opportunity to open at 0600 or Sundays to give them a fair go. Yep Australia is ruled by the corporate world and not by the government.

What a statement from Mr Mickel for trying to get the early opening in the north.

"The further north you get, the more people say 'by the time we get our job set up and all that, it means we're getting the job done in the heat of the day. What we'd prefer is if Bunnings could open early, the same as they do on Monday to Friday,'" Mr Mickel said. **Prior planning is what it's called obviously he never had do any hard work in the yard or outside or plan for something other than his retirement.. Shiny finger.**

Thought for the day. MMM, what a lovely day I might build a pergola now I'm awake or even buy a new car on the way to Church , I wish they were open early.

Thank you
Dean

SUBMISSION NO. 060

From: Barbara Garris
Sent: Monday, 7 November 2016 9:59 AM
To: tradinghoursreview <tradinghoursreview@justice.qld.gov.au>
Subject: stores trading hours

Dear Sir,

I would like to make a submission to your department that ALL stores be allowed to be opened whenever they want to trade. I am from the USA and came here in 1971 and was appalled that stores were breaking the law if they opened on Saturday afternoon and Sunday. Thank goodness the succeeding governments have seen sense and allowed stores to open on Saturday afternoon and Sunday. I am also a night worker and work till midnight and some Saturday's. It is very inconvenient to me to have to get up early just to go shopping before my shift begins. I have often wanted to go shopping in the cooler night hours after my shift ends at midnight and after 6pm on Saturday. In Los Angeles it is the norm and many stores do more business during the evening than in the morning. With more companies requiring night shift workers, I think it is time to adjust trading hours to fit the different times people are working. Not everybody works 9am to 5pm. Thank you for reading this email and I look forward to reading in the Courier Mail that trading hours have changed.

Sincerely,
Barbara Garris

SUBMISSION NO. 061

From: David Wilks
Sent: Monday, 7 November 2016 10:10 AM
To: tradinghoursreview <tradinghoursreview@justice.qld.gov.au>
Subject: Submission

Good morning,

I run a small business that requires me to work long hours, including on weekends and public holidays.

I submit that all retail trading hours should be deregulated, allowing the business owner to determine the viability of extending or changing their open schedule. Under such a scenario, some traders may well choose to open from 6:00pm until 6:00am rather than 6:00am until 6:00pm!

I also wish to express my opinion that it is ludicrous that I am not able to purchase a new vehicle on a Sunday, the one day when I am likely to have the most time to make such a purchase.

Thank you,

David Wilks

SUBMISSION NO. 062

From:

Sent: Monday, 7 November 2016 10:25 AM

To: tradinghoursreview <tradinghoursreview@justice.qld.gov.au>

Subject: Trading Hours

I go back a long way, with my earliest memory of bureaucratic interference in private enterprise was when the corner store, on weekends, had to cover non perishable items with a curtain.

So following this I have lived in nine countries, none had such trading restrictions as imposed by Public Servants and Governments in Australia.

On the basis of health safeguards for the public being the only restrictions, trading hours must be up to the discretion of the trader. It is laughable that one has any trading restrictions, except too the extent of public health.

It is further a travesty that Governments and Public Servants, few of whom would not starve were they to have to earn a living, then impose ridiculous restrictions on those who want to work hard.

SUBMISSION NO. 063

From: Bruce Bullock

Sent: Monday, 7 November 2016 11:03 AM

To: tradinghoursreview <tradinghoursreview@justice.qld.gov.au>

Subject: Extended Trading hours for used car industry

Good morning I would like to email my view on the extended trading hours for the used car industry in Queensland.

I have been working in the used car industry for the past 20 years and never have I seen an industry in such pain. The problem we have today is that a vast majority of traders are allowed to open and do open on a Sunday in Queensland. We as a society are working more hours than ever before and when we are looking to purchase a used vehicle this is something that quiet often takes some time which now as a society we don't have. I think in this day of equal opportunity every industry should be given the right to free trade, and by this I mean if a used vehicle or new vehicle dealership has the option to open on a Sunday they should be allowed to. I firmly believe this will create two things

1. is it will most definitely create more sales for the industry which also supports this country as in we pay tax and we pay GST, you can purchase a used vehicle anytime of the day or night 7 days per week from a private customer and what tax is payed on that apart from people ripping off the stamp duty tax by putting much lower amounts than they actually pay for their purchase.

2. is by allowing the used car industry to operate on a Sunday will definitely create more jobs and again which in turn stimulates the economy.

In my summary I believe we should be given the option of being allowed to trade if we so wish to. If we were given the option to be allowed to trade on a Sunday, than Im sure most traders would love to have that opportunity. For the ones whom don't see it to be profitable then they also would have the option to stay closed if they so wish. In our current climate and given the fact that so many traders are currently allowed to trade on a Sunday and do, I feel the used vehicle industry is being discriminated against in the current format. As stated I am employed in this industry not an owner, I have a mortgage to pay and a family to look after and being in this industry for the past 20 years it's now the only thing I know and I would certainly to be able to do it for the next 20 years and Sunday trade needs to be made available for this to happen.

Im happy to discuss my above comments at anytime should the need arise.

Regards
Bruce Bullock

SUBMISSION NO. 064

From: Mark Johnston
Sent: Monday, 7 November 2016 11:27 AM
To: tradinghoursreview <tradinghoursreview@justice.qld.gov.au>
Subject: Car yard opening hours

I'm strongly against opening on Sundays currently most car sales man do 50-60 hours a week.. and Sunday is the only day you get to spend with your family and loved ones, by trading Sundays you take that away for people who cherish family time to ensure there marriage and family survive! There is no need to trade on Sundays as people have 6 other days to buy cars with most car yards staying open later for customers who finish work at 6pm during the week. If it's not broken don't fix it.

Regards
Mark

SUBMISSION NO. 065

From: Steve Horne
Sent: Monday, 7 November 2016 11:44 AM
To: tradinghoursreview <tradinghoursreview@justice.qld.gov.au>
Subject: longer work hours

Sunday Trading for Car yards, this has been my fear for a long time.
The Car industry has caused enormous stress for relationships and families.
Monday to Friday 7.30am till 6.00pm and Saturday 7.30am till 4.30pm is long enough.
Personally I have seen people leave direct selling due the stress it places on the families dynamic.
Spending your week days off without your family is not a recipe for happiness.
I've been against Sunday trading possibly coming into Qld for years.
Retail traders actually hate it and are forced to open with high wages bills / Supn having to put on extra staff to cover the hours for little to no profit increase.
Yes it does supply employment for casual/ students and others, but the car industry does not need it as it won't be the car sales staff winning from it being implemented.
The industry has so many divorces and mental health issues caused by its long hours and the Dealers chasing the \$ \$.
Give your staff back their lives. Get a stable workforce as a result.
Don't do it !

Steve Horne

SUBMISSION NO. 066

Sent: Monday, 7 November 2016 12:31 PM
To: tradinghoursreview <tradinghoursreview@justice.qld.gov.au>
Subject: Trading hours review

I support longer trading hours for all businesses. I shop at Woolworths near the airport and it is very handy for shift workers particularly. If you could also buy alcohol there it would bring us into line with other states and drag qld from the dark ages!

SUBMISSION NO. 067

From: mike hunt
Sent: Monday, 7 November 2016 1:03 PM
To: tradinghoursreview <tradinghoursreview@justice.qld.gov.au>
Subject: Sunday trading for Car yards.

My submission is FOR extended trading hours for car dealerships. For too long we have been dictated to by out of touch government trading hours legislation and down right scare mongering from certain sections of our Motor trade, spouting that sales people would be forced to work 7 days a week among other myths, if trading hours were to include Sundays. The fact is we should have the choice as to whether we WISH to open on Sundays and NOT BE TOLD by Government that we can't. Sunday trading is here and it is time we move with the times and give Car dealerships the same rights as say car parts dealers (eg Super cheap auto) Boat dealers, Super Amart and . I am constantly asked by the public if we are open Sundays and i am constantly explaining to them, most times to there amusement, the out of date reasons why we are not. So lets get with the times. Sunday trading for Car yards ?? A BIG YES FROM ME.....

Michael Hunt.

SUBMISSION NO. 068

From: Anthony Edwards
Sent: Monday, 7 November 2016 1:07 PM
To: tradinghoursreview <tradinghoursreview@justice.qld.gov.au>
Subject: Trading Hours

Dear Sir/Madam,

I ask for full deregulation of shop trading hours.

I have a young family and my wife and I both work full-time. We request any size store of any industry to be open when they want in SE Queensland minimum.

We are a mature democracy. Let business decide when they can make a sale. The internet is 24/7.

Let staff decide what shifts they can and cannot take. Most people will take up to 2 days off - so what if it isn't the weekend. Some people may work longer - who are we to deny them extra work?

Get with the other states. Get with the times. Full deregulation is what we want.

Kind Regards
Anthony and Maria Edwards

SUBMISSION NO. 069

From: Stephen J Reade
Sent: Monday, 7 November 2016 1:05 PM
To: tradinghoursreview <tradinghoursreview@justice.qld.gov.au>
Subject: Trading hours

PLEASE Just get out of the way.

Trade is between consenting adults. Governments should not be involved in deciding who can operate their business and at what times.

I have no interest in going to the supermarket at 11pm but so what. Someone else (shiftworker perhaps) might find that time perfectly convenient.

Thanks and best regards

Stephen J Reade

SUBMISSION NO. 070

From:
Sent: Monday, 7 November 2016 1:52 PM
To: tradinghoursreview <tradinghoursreview@justice.qld.gov.au>
Subject: Submission to justice department.

To Whom it may concern,

This is written without prejudice. As an Australian citizen I trust the law allows the people to get fair go. Noting we should be paid for the work and time spent in a business.

1. Are the sales people in the car industry paid for the time spent at their work place . Noting most car sales people are only paid for a 36 hours week yet they work 60 to 70 per week. It is with concern if the trading hours are increased for car yard sales people, will they work even more hours for no more pay? One would conclude that no more vehicles will be sold, thus no more commission will be earned, if the hours of trade are extended. To ensure there is fairness, why not consider a secret ballot to be conducted for all those who hold a sales licence . At the same stage a questioner should be taken to investigate the current remuneration of the current payment to the car industry sales people. You may find they are one of the poorest paid workers in our country regarding time spent to paid work.

I look forward to discussing the above submission with your office. Noting I worked in the industry for 28 years until 5 years ago.

Kind Regards
Lance Edbrooke

SUBMISSION NO. 072

From:
Sent: Monday, 7 November 2016 2:13 PM
To: tradinghoursreview <tradinghoursreview@justice.qld.gov.au>
Subject:

To the Chairperson

Submission re Trading Hours.

As a worker in the retail trade I find it incomprehensible that any review would consider a 6AM start for Saturday and Sunday (C.M 07/11/2016). Retail workers have had their entitlements grossly eroded over the last few years and now consideration is being given to eroding not only more rights but also impacting negatively on our family lives, sports or personal interests that give us a work / life balance.

There will be no increase in sales as people only have the same income and pay increases are minimal and costs are escalating. Companies have clearly NOT increased the number of employees in the past- just rostered differently!

If we as retail workers can organize their shopping around existing hours and attend work surely people who work more socially acceptable hours could also shop within the existing span of hours. Must you make second (or third) class citizens out of retail workers? Please give retail workers back their dignity and allow common sense prevail in your decision.

Margaret Wedgwood

SUBMISSION NO. 073

From: Michelle Howell
Sent: Monday, 7 November 2016 2:54 PM
To: tradinghoursreview <tradinghoursreview@justice.qld.gov.au>
Subject: Trading Hours

To Whom It May Concern,

I strongly believe that Late Night Trading should be moved from a Thursday night to a Friday night, as this is the beginning of the weekend and many families can go shopping together late into the night and not have to worry about it being a school night. This would also enable them to eat at a cafe or restaurant and maybe even catch a movie for a great night out. Just look at how successful this is in Victoria.

Another change needed is for all shops to be open for the same times on the same days. It is extremely frustrating travelling to Brisbane on a Sunday to find that supermarkets are closed in the suburbs, while they are open on the Sunshine Coast and we can't buy what we had planned.

Consistency of times will also allow customers to remember when a store is open rather than the nonsense of whether it shuts early or later on a Sunday! Supermarkets should be open late on weekends so that after a day out and travelling home, people can stop and pick up groceries or whatever the need to be able to cook dinner.

Extension of shopping hours would allow those of us who work Monday to Friday to be able to shop in our own time instead of having to rush to the shops before they close, and then not being able to purchase.

Yours sincerely
Michelle Howell

SUBMISSION NO. 074

From:

Sent: Monday, 7 November 2016 3:17 PM

To: tradinghoursreview <tradinghoursreview@justice.qld.gov.au>

Subject: My comments on Trading Hours

Hello

I do not usually comment on reviews but this Government needs all the help it can get otherwise they will call in the Consultants

It seems no one can make a decision these days

My comment is **NO** for earlier or longer trading hours

If they need something from the Hardware Store they can get it days before

What a stupid reason to say they get up early & have to wait for the store open

You are not allowed to make noise until 8 am on weekends

If they are up early & are wanting to start on maintenance in the back yard tell them too go to for a coffee or breakfast at a local cafe & support the local places

I am a Business Owner & it is hard to compete with the Major Stores

We pay our tax & support our local community in employing locals

Soon there will be no small business as the major stores have taken everything from them

Because of there size they can demand a special price or sell on consignment which we are unable to do so it is not trading fair

Regards

Maureen Brennan

SUBMISSION NO. 075

From: Eric Black

Sent: Monday, 7 November 2016 3:46 PM

To: tradinghoursreview <tradinghoursreview@justice.qld.gov.au>

Subject: TRADING HOURS

Dear Sir / Madam

We have always believed in the value of daylight saving. However, because that is unlikely to happen in this State we cannot understand that whilst we wake up with the sun from October to March at approximately 5am, that we still do not have adjusted trading opening hours to suit this.

We should be able to have the choice and shop from 7am anywhere in Queensland at any store or at least supermarkets during the months from October to March.

It makes economical sense.

Thank You

Eric and Debbie Black
