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Dear Mr Laurie 

I refer to Petition 3708-22 about Queensland's parliamentary system which was tabled in the Legislative Assembly on 12 October 2022.

At a referendum in 2016, a clear majority of Queenslanders voted in favour of fixed four-year parliamentary terms for members of the Legislative Assembly of Queensland.

My Government supported fixed four-year parliamentary terms at that referendum, and continues to support these terms as a central tenant of Queensland's constitutional and parliamentary system. Therefore, we do not support any system of citizen-initiated by-elections between general elections as envisaged in this petition.

While my Government does not support the request made in this petition, I sincerely appreciate the interest the petitioners have in Queensland's parliamentary system and respect their right to provide their thoughts on these matters to the Legislative Assembly.

Again, thank you for raising this important matter with me.

Yours sincerely



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