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**INQUIRY INTO THE PRIVATISATION OF PRISONS AND  
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Looking at Queensland, Victoria and South Australia it can be seen that the privatisation of prisons' has failed in these states and they have been returned to the public sector domain. Some of the reasons for this have been an increased rate of recidivism, an increase in the violence of crimes committed by prisoners upon release, an increase in workers compensation for the correctional officers that have been hurt because of an increase in violence within the prisons. Added to this you have costs that have been hidden by the operators of these institutions. These added on costs are for welfare, counseling and education, where as in the public run prisons these costs are included in the daily costs of keeping a prisoner, at the end of the day it works out more expensive to keep a person incarcerated in a private institution remembering that these institutions are driven for profit and not the public good.