

**INQUIRY INTO GAY AND TRANSGENDER HATE CRIMES  
BETWEEN 1970 AND 2010 - 57TH PARLIAMENT**

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My name is \_\_\_\_\_ I am a transgender man. I have been subject to verbal and physical abuse as a lesbian and after transitioning, verbal threats and intimidation while presenting as a queer man.

In 2003 I was living at a Griffith University campus college, I was often yelled at by residential advisors when returning to college in the evening with slurs like 'is that a chick or a faggot' or 'watch out here comes a dyke on a bike'. The RA for my floor found a flyer for the university queer collective during a meeting and tore it up in front of a group of fellow residents while making homophobic comments.

During a visit to University of Queensland I was with the Griffith Queer collective rep. We were called a 'fucking dykes' and followed to a parking lot by a group of 5 members of the UQ Young Liberals who spat at us, kicked in a car panel and tried to prevent us from leaving.

Threatened by a drunk man that he would beat me with an clothes iron while I was trapped in a storage locker. He had come to pick up furniture that I had been storing for his daughter. Screamed homophobic slurs at me.

I transitioned to male in 2005, I was required by my psychiatrist to use male bathrooms in public as a hoop to being prescribed hormones. I was always told to trust doctors, so I did as told and it put me in danger. Whenever I attempted to use male restrooms I was told I was in the wrong place, only to be yelled out of the female bathroom. This led to me staying at home most of the time, and when I did have to go out, feeling intense anxiety.

In 2006 I was working as a bartender at the Step Inn, I had been there for 12 months when new owners bought the premises. Within 2 months they fired me because they didn't want 'it' working behind the bar (referring to me). The owners threatened the manager that if she didn't fire 'the thing' working behind the bar, they would fire her. So she fired me. Then 2 weeks later they fired her.

2010, I connected with a guy on grindr and outed myself as trans. On meeting me he grabbed my groin without consent and proclaimed 'yep, nothing there'. After some terrible sex he physically restrained me from leaving my room and squeezed me so tight that he cracked one of my ribs while I screamed at him to stop.

Fortitude Valley 2011, My housemate (gender non-conforming) was knocked out by a punch to the face by a stranger who was angry that they couldn't tell if my friend was male or female.

Lismore, December 2019 I was riding a bike with a A4 sized rainbow flag on the back and people screamed 'faggot' at me at least once every day I was in riding through town.