

MEDIA STATEMENT

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QBCC takes repeat offender to the Supreme Court

The Queensland Building and Construction Commission (QBCC) has again used its new Supreme Court injunction powers against an unlicensed individual who repeatedly flouted the State's building laws.

The Supreme Court injunction imposed against Brian John Byrne in Brisbane last week prevents him from carrying out or undertaking to carry out building work.

The QBCC Interim Commissioner Kellie Lowe said that this was the second injunction the Supreme Court had granted against an individual in recent weeks.

"Mr Byrne could face imprisonment if he carries out or undertakes to carry out building work in Queensland again," Ms Lowe said.

"Having accumulated more than \$27,000 in fines, it was clear that another fine would not be a deterrent to this repeat offender, so the QBCC sought the injunction to protect home owners."

She said the QBCC encouraged anyone contracting with the building industry to conduct a free licensee search on the QBCC website, before engaging an individual to do any building work.

Anyone with concerns about building work can call the QBCC 24/7 on 139 333 or visit www.qbcc.qld.gov.au

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