

Building Defects

There exists an epidemic of building defects in multi-storey properties. SCA (Qld) commissioned a report with Deakin University which demonstrated that around 79% of Queensland multi-storey buildings have at least one construction defect. We view this as unacceptable, particularly where there is little recourse for affected lot owners. To remedy this, we have the following policy solutions.

1. SCA (Qld) supports the extension of some form of statutory home/construction insurance to buildings over 3 storeys.
2. SCA (Qld) supports appropriate regulation of building certifiers to ensure their independence.
3. SCA (Qld) supports appropriate regulation of property developers (using the definition found in the Electoral Act 1992) to ensure ethical behaviour.