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To: [Community Support and Services Committee](#)
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I wish to strenuously object to any extension of the emergency powers used during the Covid 19 pandemic. My reasons are too numerous to present in full, however they fall into two main categories.

Firstly, after two years now, the peer reviewed science papers, from medically and scientifically trained and respected people and institutions overwhelmingly prove that vaccines have caused more harm than the virus; the omicron variety which has overtaken other varieties, has changed the imperatives; and with the number of cases, natural immunity is a very positive development.

Secondly, many governments around the world are lifting their mask and vaccine mandates entirely, even Canada, with such a harsh government reaction to its people, is seeing its states remove all restrictions. There is an increasing, not decreasing popular uprising world wide against all emergency powers being used to control the people. Queensland is no different.

Given we are about to see a national election within three months, I am sure the people of this state will be using this election to send a clear message to both major parties. I live in a retirement village. Two years ago, the support for the state government was incredibly high. Now, I would call it very, very low. By passing an extension of emergency powers, you will be giving more credence to the belief that the government isn't there to look after the people, it is there to dominate the people. That bodes ill for not only the people, but also members intending to stand again in the future. Also, given the trauma and damages sustained in the very recent floods, the contrast between supporting the state, or simply holding power over the state could not be more obvious.

Please, let this lapse and focus on restoring the people and the infrastructure of this state.

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