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**To:** [Community Support and Services Committee](#)  
**Subject:** PUBLIC HEALTH AND OTHER LEGISLATION (EXTENSION OF EXPIRING PROVISIONS) AMENDMENT BILL 2022  
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## Community Support and Services Committee

### AGAINST PUBLIC HEALTH AND OTHER LEGISLATION (EXTENSION OF EXPIRING PROVISIONS) AMENDMENT BILL 2022

It is with concern as a business owner and resident of Cairns, Queensland that I write to express my extreme concern that the Government will vote on the proposed legislation to extend the Public Health Emergency.

I'm at a loss as to why the Government believe we have a 'pandemic' especially since the ABS released their statistics 15 February 2022 as tabled below COVID deaths in Australia;

- 2,639 deaths where people died with or from COVID-19 that occurred by 31 January 2022 have been registered and received by the ABS. The ABS expects to receive further registrations for this period from the jurisdictional Registries of Births, Deaths and Marriages.
- The majority (2,556 deaths) of these 2,639 deaths were due directly to COVID-19.
- There were a further 83 people who died of other causes (e.g. cancer) but were COVID-19 positive at the time of death.
- Chronic cardiac conditions were the most common pre-existing chronic condition for those who had COVID-19 certified as the underlying cause of death.

With a population of 25million, this is 1% (rounded for convenience)! Therefore the percentages for Queensland are even less. Extending the SOE is farcical, totally unwarranted and unnecessary!

We all need to get back to the business of doing business, living and rebuilding Queensland and Australia.

With floods in Lismore and Brisbane, I would imagine there's actually more important things to be discussed than a 'flu' which 99% of the population will and have recovered from.

I request that you vote against the Government

Kind regards

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