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Submission - Public Health and Other Legislation (Extension of Expiring Provisions) Amendment Bill 2022:

Dear Committee Secretary,

I am writing to state my opposition to the extension of the Emergency Bill until October 2022. My reasoning is as follows:

- The vaccine mandate has failed to prevent community transmission. With over 90% of Queenslanders vaccinated, this can in no way be called a pandemic of the vaccinated.
- Many families and small businesses have suffered due to the pandemic and the subsequent mandates. The hospital system is far from overwhelmed with cases, so I believe now is the time to let those who are unvaccinated return to their jobs and be allowed the same privileges as vaccinated Queenslanders.
- Funds used to police restrictions should be used elsewhere such as the flood clean-up.

Many Western nations, such as the United Kingdom and United States, are now lifting restrictions with little adverse effects. I believe it is time Queensland do the same for the good of our state.

Yours faithfully,

Steven Martin