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Community Support and Services Committee SUBMISSION: EXTENSION TO THE EMERGENCY BILL UNTILL 31 OCTOBER 2022 Thursday, 3 March 2022 3:35:16 PM

To Whom It May Concern

QUEENSLAND GOVERNMENT PROPOSED EXTENSION TO THE EMERGENCY BILL TO 31 OCTOBER 2022

I strongly petition the Committee not to approve the extension for this Emergency Bill to be extended to 31 October 2022 for the following reasons:

- The Sars-Cov-2 vaccination rates are well above the desired percentage
- According to an announcement just that the Omicron variant is "clearly not" as threatening as the flu.
- Before the Sars-Cov-2 pandemic was declared, our Chief Medical
- Officers never advised for Emergency Powers to be implemented to "stop the spread" of the flu.
- Lockdowns cause more serious health issues than the Sars-Cov-2 virus in all facets of our lives, including
 - An increase in mental health, especially among young people,
 - Aged Care Residents denied visitation of loved ones, causing distress and the feeling of vulnerability and loneliness
 - Destruction of small business, thereby creating severe financial hardship and stress and even to the degree of loosing their homes.
 - Unnecessary countless loss of jobs and careers, causing severe financial hardship

The above are only some of the adverse effects of the measures to stop the spread of the Sars-Cov-2 virus which affected just a very small percentage of the population.

Yours faithfully,

Helen Connell