From:

To: Community Support and Services Committee

Subject: Emergency Bill

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Dear Committee,

I strongly object to any Extension of the Emergency Bill due to the prevalence of Omicron's extremely low death rate compared to the delta/alpha variants.

The original Emergency Bill was granted based on a death rate from the Alpha and Delta variants.

The case numbers have indicated that the original modelling was substantially overinflated.

The extension of powers is based on COVID deaths in Queensland and COVID numbers.

The health data is now showing the exaggeration of such data.

Current estimates indicate that Omicron deaths are only a very small fraction of those adjusted numbers. Any extension is not warranted and should NOT be granted.

The potential for continued discrimination via these emergency powers is unacceptable to any democratic society.

The negatives of these mandates and the pressure it is placing on Queenslanders through lost jobs and a pressured healthcare system, far outweigh the negatives going forward. Particularly when it seems that many Queenslanders have had COVID-19, now have natural immunity, and according to the Government's own modelling the peak has now passed.

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