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Dear Committee,

I strongly object to any Extension of the Emergency Bill for many reasons but it cannot be ignored that Omicron's death rate is extremely low compared to the original Covid-19 variants.

The extension of powers is based on COVID deaths in Queensland and COVID numbers. Current estimates indicate that Omicron deaths are only a very small fraction of case numbers. Any extension is not warranted and should not be granted.

The potential for continued discrimination via these emergency powers is unacceptable.

The negatives of these mandates and the pressure it is placing on Queenslanders through lost jobs far outweigh the positives 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.

As previously stated, there are many reasons my friends, my family and I object to this extension but the very grounds this mandate was based on have changed. Therefore, policies need to be adapted to suit the new situation. The mandate has served its purpose. It is now time to drop the mandate and allow everyone to get back on with their jobs.

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