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Community Support and Services Committee
OBJECTION TO Extension of the Emergency Bill

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Dear Committee.

Words cannot adequately describe the objection I have to any Extension of the Emergency Bill (to 31 October or any date for that matter). The Omicron variant of the coronavirus in question has an extremely low death rate, far lower than its predecessor variants (Delta and Alpha), for which the original Emergency Bill was granted. The extension of powers is based on COVID deaths in Queensland and COVID numbers. We now know the health data has been exaggerated.

Current estimates indicate that Omicron deaths are only a very small fraction of those adjusted numbers, therefore any extension has no merit and should NOT be allowed. Doing so would allow continued discrimination via these emergency powers and this is totally unacceptable in our Australia. It is unacceptable in any democratic society. The Government's own modelling shows the peak has now passed.

The mandates have such negative effects due to lost jobs, segregation of society and more importantly, the pressure on our health system due to lost jobs, is unwarranted. It is important to note that many Queenslanders have developed natural immunity due to having contracted COVID-19 and recovered.

Yours sincerely,

