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**To:** [Community Support and Services Committee](#)  
**Subject:** Strong objection to extension of the emergency bill act, Queensland  
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Dear members,

I write to express my active objection to the proposed extension to the emergency powers act in Queensland.

The basis of my objection is:

1. Harm now outweighs benefits

The harms (created mostly through mandates) created by these powers now greatly outweigh the benefits. These harms include

- mental health impacts (which is being currently researched but the cost of this will be shown in years to come)
- financial impacts : loss of income for those who chose not to take part in the medical vaccination trial (such as teachers who were unable to return to the classroom & students who were not able to attend university?!)
- social division and isolation because of mandates
- small business impacts due to policing mandates has been severe and has damaged many livelihoods & staff well-being

2. Extension will create Distrust in government authority

These bills have been created to deal with an emergency situation. It is widely understood that the emergency has passed. Extending this bill will seriously erode the trust in our governing powers.

3. Precedence across the world

Other progressive countries are removing all restrictions and removing these powers. Given this, Extending these in Queensland/Australia makes no sense and leads to a deep distrust, which threatens the base of our hard-won & revered democratic system.

I remind members that you are here to serve the interests of the people who elected you. The views expressed above are widely held and do not follow divisions around vaccination.

Deciding to not extend these emergency powers, will signal a positive move by qld leadership - one that seeks to unite a community after a devastating time.

Please listen to these voices and not the authoritative parties driving this agenda - the people of Queensland DO NOT want these powers extended.

Warm regards,

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