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To whom it may concern,

I appreciate that the Emergency Bill is due to run out at the end of this month. I would like it known that I **do not support the extension of this bill**. In particular, I do not support the segregation of society caused by vaccine mandates.

The Australian government claim, as per the Health.gov.au website:

“Vaccination for COVID-19 is voluntary – as are all vaccinations in Australia – and people maintain the option to choose.”

However, each Australian state has made life very difficult for those that choose, for whatever reason, to not be vaccinated.

While I don't believe I should have to, I was okay with giving up international travel or even going out with friends to cafe, clubs and pubs, however I was not ready to give up my livelihood over an overreaching vaccine mandate. Taking away people's jobs would classify as economic coercion, this is not freedom of choice.

I am a school teacher who has chosen not to be vaccinated. This has cost me greatly as I'm no longer permitted to work on my field of training. While I would understand warranting a vaccine mandate if it stopped transmission, it does not.

Earlier this year I isolated for 11 days in my home with 4 family members infected by COVID-19, and was the only one to not catch the virus (while everyone else in my household is vaccinated), despite sharing the same spaces, not social distancing and not wearing a mask—ever.

I do not support the extension of the Emergency Bill.

Kind regards,

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