

To the Committee,

I very strongly object to any extension of the Emergency Bill given Omicron has an extremely low death rate compared to the delta/alpha virus. These mandates are affecting all Queenslanders negatively and is placing unprecedented amounts of pressure and stress on individuals and families, through lost jobs, and on the healthcare system as thousands of healthcare staff have been suspended or terminated. According to the Government's own modelling, the peak has now passed and given many Queenslanders have now had Covid-19, and therefore have natural immunity, any extension of the Emergency Bill would be extremely detrimental to Queenslanders moving forward. The potential for continued medical discrimination via these emergency powers is UNACCEPTABLE in any democratic society. 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.

PLEASE LISTEN TO THE VOICES OF THE AUSTRALIAN PEOPLE.

We have suffered enough because of these powers. There is no emergency anymore. It has passed. We, the people, need our jobs back. We have bills to pay and families to feed.

Please don't allow this power grab and continuing discrimination by our politicians to continue any longer. We are suffering. It must end now.

My mother, 89 years old, living in a nursing home must endure 5 days of isolation whenever I visit.

If a vaccinated person or staff member, who still has a relatively high chance of spreading COVID, was to visit or attend to her, she does not have to be isolated. ENOUGH IS ENOUGH

It is despicable and inhumane as I am her only living relative. If she were a dog, the RSPCA would be contacted if this treatment was applied to the animal.

Thank you for your consideration.

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