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To whom it may concern

Please be advised that I am strongly opposed to the extension of the Emergency Bill (Public Health and Other Legislation (Extension of Expiring Provisions) Amendment Bill 2022.

The burden of proof is on the Government to show that there is justification for extending these emergency powers.

The Government would need to show that Covid infection still provides a serious threat to public health over and above the threat that comes from regular seasonal respiratory infections, and it is becoming increasingly clear that this is simply not the case.

## What is their evidence?

What is the basis of this 'emergency'?

Queensland is currently 80% fully vaccinated.

Hospital admissions are in sharp decline (as per ABS statistics).

Hospitals aren't experiencing overwhelm.

Death rates are exceptionally low (as a percentage of case numbers) - as per ABS statistics.

It is clear that Omicron is providing robust immunity to Covid infections that is most likely superior to immunity provided by vaccines. Even Bill Gates has acknowledged this: "sadly".

## So on what basis should we continue this Emergency Bill?

I believe we should now be looking to re-direct the huge financial resources and governance attention Covid has been given.

We are no longer in an emergency situation due to Covid.

Please do respond to my concerns:

Deb Lindner

