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To: [Community Support and Services Committee](#)
Subject: Extension of Emergency Bill
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Hello,

I am writing in regards to the extension of the emergency bill and to let you know that I among many other Queenslanders DO NOT wish for the emergency bill to be extended until the 31st October.

Queensland has banded together, we have followed all of the lock downs, our children have missed so much schooling, over 90% of us have gone out and gotten ourselves vaccinated. We have worked together through the peaks of Covid.

It is now time to carry on with life, living with the virus as though we are living with the flu, gastro or the common cold. People will get it. It will affect some more than others. But we must stop putting a pause on life because of this thing.

I am fully vaccinated and I appreciate that we have that medicine available to us however I DO NOT support mandates. I do not support the fact that people must choose between their job or a jab. I do not support the fact that I can't go out for coffee with my friend who chose not to get the jab because her and her family are some of the healthiest people i know and the risk of side effects from the jab outweighed the risk of any long term effect that covid would have on their family.

It is time to stop over dramatizing this thing and move on. When we continue to call Covid a state of emergency, it takes away the weight from the real emergencies taking place in our state such as the current natural disasters we are facing. Lets put our focus on rebuilding our towns and our communities mental health after the loss, anxiety, uncertainty and devastation that the last two years has brought upon our society.

I hope that the right decision is made and that the emergency bill will be dropped.

Thank you for hearing the hearts of our community.

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