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Dear Committee,

I strongly object to any Extension of the Emergency Bill due to the significant harm that has been caused to Queenslanders under the use of the powers for a small amount of good, if any, that can now be achieved by their continuation.

Over the last two years of their use there has been the devastation of families being separated from each other across hard State borders (we were also impacted by this), the mental harm created by separating people from regular close social contact, the harm to our children by mandated masks and loss of social contact through school closures, the financial cost on businesses that have not been able to operate normally and the mental damage caused by the stress of people losing their businesses and careers.

As a Queensland Health employee I am being forced to accept a COVID-19 vaccine as a condition of continued employment.

My role is a child health nurse, and as a vaccinating nurse in the community - I never before doubted the efficacy of vaccination that I give the children of QLD. I question the name of "vaccine" to this drug therapy given the inability to provide protection. I further question the wisdom of these vaccine mandates as they do not meet their stated goal of protecting public health by preventing the spread of the virus that causes the COVID-19 disease.

There is now even less reason than previously for an extension of the Emergency Bill due to the prevalence of Omicron's extremely low death rate compared to the delta/alpha variants.

The original Emergency Bill was granted based on a death rate from the Alpha and Delta variants.

The actual 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.

2021 ABS data for COVID deaths gives a death rate of 2639 in 2021. This must be compared to the ABS data in 2019 (the year immediately prior to COVID) for respiratory deaths attributed to seasonal influenza/Pneumonia of 4124 deaths. This clearly demonstrates with real world statistics as opposed to extremely unreliable modelling, that we should now be treating Omicron in a similar manner that we treat a seasonal influenza. There is no need for the use of emergency powers to aide in the control of Omicron or other variants of COVID.

The potential for continued discrimination via these emergency powers is unacceptable to any democratic society.

The people of this State have now been divided along vaccinated and unvaccinated lines under these emergency powers. This is creating damage through discrimination that has absolutely no justification and even more so with Omicron. It must stop.

The long-term risks from COVID-19 vaccines are unknown. However, some of the more immediate risks are abundantly clear; and these include anaphylaxis, clotting disorders, and heart inflammation, to name just a few. The extent of these risks is uncertain, because, among other reasons, the vaccine clinical trials are still ongoing, and the public database of adverse events captures only a portion of such events.

With so many unknowns about the vaccines and the virus and a medical landscape that changes day by day, the reality is that regardless of the vaccines' official approval status,

every person who takes a COVID-19 vaccine is part of a huge and ongoing medical experiment, unparalleled in human history. While many of us have freely opted into this experiment, none of should be forced to participate as a condition of employment. The negatives of these mandates and the pressure it is placing on Queenslanders through lost jobs and a pressured healthcare system, far outweigh the negatives going forward. Particularly when it seems that many Queenslanders have had COVID-19, now have natural immunity, and according to the Government's own modelling the peak has now passed.

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