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Dear Committee Secretary,

Re: Public Health and Other Legislation (Extension of expiring provisions) Amendment Bill 2022 (BILL)

I wish to formally advise that I **do not** support the Bill nor the extension of the state of emergency.

1. **Deaths from Covid**

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 grossly overinflated. According to the recent release of the Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) information in relation to Covid deaths, approximately 1% of the 273,901 death registrations received by the ABS have died with or from Covid. The statistics released that in 92% of the 2639 deaths attributed to Covid between March 2020 and January 2022, were attributed to underlying health issues. The statistics shown in this report from the ABS shows a gross exaggeration of health data issued by the Queensland Government and any extension is not and should NOT be granted.

2. **Introduction of Mandates**

On the 17th December 2021 Queensland Government imposed vaccine mandates for social settings and high risk employment industries. I am a teacher and have been stood down from my job due to the introduction of mandates and my choice to make an informed decision about my health. The introduction of the mandates has taken away freedoms of people to make their own decision in relation to body autonomy. The Australian Immunisation Handbook states that there must be full valid and informed consent given without coercion or pressure. This Government has exiled the unvaccinated from society and restricted their movements yet Covid have rapidly spread throughout the State. The data clearly shows that the mandates have not worked and have had zero effect on spreading the virus as the virus does not discriminate between those who are vaccinated and those who are not.

3. **Discrimination**

Since the introduction of the mandates I have encountered discrimination being unable to attend events with my children, where I play a vital volunteer role in my local community. An example of this at local agricultural shows where my family show cattle. As mentioned in the media from the Agricultural Show Societies, the segregation and discrimination is impacting on the running of these events as local communities are already struggling to find volunteers. I have been a volunteer at our local shows and for shows in other rural communities for a number of years and it is disappointing that I and many other volunteers will be excluded from these events. Due to these mandates I am also unable to continue in my occupation as a teacher, for which I committed to six years of part time study, whilst working full time with a family. The potential for continued discrimination via these emergency powers is unacceptable to any democratic society. The Human Rights Act 2019

states that a person must not be subjected to medical or scientific experimentation or treatment without the person's full, free and informed consent.

4. Negative impact

These mandates and the pressure it is placing on Queensland families through lost jobs, a pressured healthcare system and the ability to recruit volunteers in our local communities, will have a significant negative impact going forward, particularly when it seems that many Queenslanders have had Covid-19, now have a natural immunity, and according to the Government's own modelling the peak has now passed.

Yours sincerely



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