

I do not support the Extension to the Emergency Bill from April to 31 October 2022.

Vaccinations and using statistics to tell people they need to get vaccinated and that is how life will be impacted from now on is not representative of a democratic society, although we are told we live in one. Vaccinations do not prevent people from acquiring covid 19 or from dying.

Daily updates are only data, that can be interpreted anyway you want according to what outcome you want to portray. Major variations in the daily death totals are impacted by the release of death certificates where covid may have been added to a persons' other health issue, this shows a lack of transparency. The reporting of contraction rates and hospitalisations are statistical data which can be calculated and interpreted according to the outcome required. Now they are being discontinued, why? What is the purpose of an extension?

Hospitality businesses have had to follow mandates to operate but have been shut down anyway due to staff/patrons contracting covid or being close contacts. This is abuse of the states' people demonstrating an unnecessary mandate. This is a cost to business, that is not being repaid and causing business owners and casual staff to live below the poverty line.

No further contract tracing, which has not been occurring for some time. The fact that businesses and medical facilities no longer need to tell attending patients or trade persons that they have infected staff or have had a major outbreak on site means an extension to the Emergency Bill is political and not for the safety of the general population.

The grouping together of 'figures' for regional areas such as Wide Bay means numbers can be distorted. They don't provide contraction, hospitalisation and deaths of people in local areas with a true reference point for individuals to make informed decisions about their own safety. An extension of the Emergency Bill only assists statistics.

The major hazard has passed, the emergency no longer exists. Covid 19 is an epidemic virus and we need to live with it as we do for other viruses.

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