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**To:** [Community Support and Services Committee](#)  
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To Whom it May Concern,

I write to you today to advise you that I am opposed to the extension of the emergency bill of the Public Health and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2022 (Extension of Expiring Provisions).

The current science and data available show that COVID is in a manageable state, meaning there is no need to extend the powers of the bill.

### **Evidence of COVID Deaths**

The latest Australian Bureau of Statistics data released last week says that over the 22 months of COVID being active in Australia, we have had 273,901 total deaths. However, only 2,639 of these deaths were COVID related, that is they had COVID when they died, but did not necessarily die *from* COVID. 92% of these people had THREE serious underlying conditions. The median age for these COVID deaths was 81 years for males and 86 years for females, both of which are above our national expected life span.

Meanwhile, 100,000 people died of cancer, 32,000 from heart disease, 30,000 of alzheimers and dementia, 10,000 of diabetes. So COVID related deaths in this period are less than 1% of the total deaths. The flu generally has more deaths than COVID. In 2019 in a 12 month period there was 4,124 deaths from the flu. And over 22 months there was 2,639 COVID related deaths.

### **Vaccination Ineffectiveness**

The vaccinations are not preventing COVID infections or deaths. Even though 90.6% of Qld's population are fully vaccinated, we still recorded 530,000 new cases of COVID. The unvaccinated public has been excluded from entertainment and hospitality venues, so it stands to reason that it is the vaccinated population that are the majority of the cause for the spread. The virus is not discriminating between who is infected and who is not. They are both contracting and spreading COVID.

### **Mandate Ineffectiveness**

It is clear now that the mandates have NOT helped to reduce the spread of COVID in Qld. If anything they have made it worse but reducing available staff in hospitals and aged care and assisted living facilities, by standing down those staff who declined to be vaccinated.

Schools are also facing teacher shortages and classes are being pushed together due to a lack of vaccinated teachers, which is reducing social distancing in crowded classrooms, also increasing the spread of COVID.

Mandates have also harmed businesses, as they have been required to turn away their unvaccinated patrons. They have lost revenue and many have had to close down indefinitely.

### **Call to Action**

I call on the Premier and Qld Parliament to abandon the mandates that are restricting Queenslanders. See the big picture... COVID is, for the majority of the population, a mild and short lived illness. Stop segregating society and turning people against each other. Come back to a state of unity and support for all people, vaccinated or not. Let businesses

flourish again. Remove the mandates and restrictions.

Yours sincerely,

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