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**To:** [Community Support and Services Committee](#)  
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To whom it may concern,

I am writing to implore the current Queensland government NOT TO pass the Public Health and Other Legislation (Extension of Expiring Provisions) Amendment Bill 2022 which would extend the emergency powers until the end of October 2022.

### **Manipulated data exposed**

The extension of powers is based on COVID deaths in Queensland and the number of people who have tested positive to COVID. The Australian Bureau of Statistics has recently shown that these numbers have been grossly exaggerated and used in what amounts to a media scare campaign to force compliance with a number of measures including vaccination mandates, mask mandates, and other divisive and damaging measures that were linked to employment and general living.

### **Previous emergency powers have been unsuccessful and they are unnecessary**

A public health emergency was declared for Queensland on 29<sup>th</sup> January 2020 (over two years ago) which gave the Queensland Government unprecedented powers. Unfortunately the goal posts kept changing and what was initially touted as “two weeks to slow the curve” constantly changed until more recently, hardworking and dedicated people in education, healthcare and other sectors including hospitality have been forced to lose their jobs if they chose bodily and medical autonomy. I am one of these people and unfortunately due to my specialised knowledge and skillset, my wonderful students are now without a music teacher.

When the 'health' mandate that only allowed fully vaccinated people to access pubs, cafes, restaurants, etc was implemented on the 17<sup>th</sup> December 2021 there were very few cases of COVID in Queensland. Apparently when the borders opened Ms D'Ath said they knew it would “become a pandemic of the unvaccinated”, which was why restrictions were to remain for those not fully vaccinated. To date, there have been over 580,000 cases. This clearly shows that the mandates have not worked as anticipated.

The division, segregation and discrimination that has resulted from these mandates have been highly damaging to not only individuals, but families, friendships, businesses and entire industries. Unfortunately it seems to have been in vain, as even though unvaccinated people have been forced to remove themselves from sporting, cultural, hospitality and medical facilities the spread of COVID-19 has continued. The evidence is clear that both vaccinated and unvaccinated people are capable of catching and spreading the virus, and as such these mandates should be abolished and not extended as is proposed.

### **Other countries and contradictory data**

Currently many countries, including England, are dialling back or completely ending COVID restrictions. On gov.uk it states that “The government has ended legal restrictions in England and is instead asking the public to practice specific safe and responsible behaviours.” In New Zealand “The High Court (has) ruled that the Government’s vaccine mandate for Police and Defence Force personnel was unlawful”. This is due to the evidence showing that vaccination does not

prevent or limit the risk of the outbreak or spread of COVID-19.

I have much more that I would like to say, but in the interest of keeping things brief I will leave it as is. Please take this submission into consideration and also the submissions of many other concerned Queenslanders. DO NOT pass the Public Health and Other Legislation (Extension of Expiring Provisions) Amendment Bill 2022.

Yours sincerely,  
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