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To: Community Support and Services Committee

**Subject:** Attention Committee Secretary Submission against the Bill put forward by the Health and Ambulance Officer

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## Dear Committee

Please find my submission **against** the extension of the following Bill put forward by the minister of Health and Ambulance Services beyond the 30 April, 2022.

The following bill **should not be extended beyond the 30 April, 2022** as there in no health emergency at present and should not be enacted until there is. It is against the human rights of Australian citizens. The Covid 19 pandemic is at the tail end and no longer provides a serious treat to Australian or our economy.

"On 22 February 2022 the Minister for Health and Ambulance Services introduced the Public Health and Other Legislation (Extension of Expiring Provisions) Amendment Bill 2022 into the Queensland Parliament. The Bill was referred to the Community Support and Services Committee for detailed consideration.

The purpose of the Bill is to:

- further extend the operation of essential public health measures implemented to facilitate Queensland's response to the COVID-19 pandemic
- extend amendments to the Corrective Services Act 2006, Disaster Management Act 2003 and Mental Health Act 2016 to support the public health response.

The extended provisions follow previous temporary extensions effected by a series of Acts of Parliament in 2020 and 2021, under which the majority of measures are due to expire on 30 April 2022. The Bill would extend this legislative expiry date for certain Acts to 31 October 2022, or the day the Minister for Health ends the declared public health emergency, whichever day is earlier."

## Regards

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