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Community Support and Services Committee

**Subject:** Submission to OPPOSE the BILL and the extension of the state of emergency in Qld

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COMMITTEE SECRETARY

Community Support and Services Committee

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Dear Committee Secretary,

RE: PUBLIC HEALTH AND OTHER LEGISLATION (EXTENSION OF EXPIRING PROVISIONS) AMENDMENT BILL 2022 (hereafter referred to as the "Bill")

My personal details are:

**CAROL SULLIVAN** 



Please accept this submission as my formal advice that I DO NOT SUPPORT this Bill and I DO NOT SUPPORT any further extension of the state of emergency (SOE) in Queensland.

I am tired of the serration of our communities - I am tired of the condemnation directed to those people that choose to make medical decisions different to others. In our household of five we have three unvaccinated and two vaccinated. To now no longer be able to go as a family to the movies or to a restaurant is not ok.

But - forget all the personal inconveniences. The fact remains - for our family we lost our business in 2020 - we were without a primary source of income for nearly six months. Due to our previous level of income we were not entitled to government assistance and neither were our two adult children. When my husband did get a job he was on minimum wage. We have immediate family members in NSW and WA - we have been excluded from seeing them :-( My beautiful cousin took her own life - I think this was the most heartbreaking - on March 5th 2021 (this Friday 12mths ago) she took what she thought was the only way out - to shoot herself! She left behind devastation.

This is exactly what the extended SOE has created - devastation - on SO MANY LEVELS. And enough is enough! Let us all go back to living life. Let us all take personal responsibility for our lives - for our families - for our health.

SOE laws should be there to ensure people are not unduly affected by disasters - eg: bring in the army to protect peoples homes from criminals that loot after disasters / or bring in the army to build fire breaks to protect homes from bushfires. They should not be there to lock people up who disagree with government policy.

My youngest daughter was vaccine injured as an infant - I know many don't believe that happens but IT DOES! It happened to our family. Prior to that I was the vaccination queen - I went to paediatricians - paid money to get the best care for all my children - I paid for vaccines if they were not readily available (we lived in Central Qld and didn't always have access to regular vaccination clinics). I NEVER imagined that my child

would be injured. I was devastated.

So we choose this position FOR the care and the health of our family. My daughter should not have lost her job because we are protecting her health.

These SOE extensions MUST END.

PLEASE let us get back to living our lives the best way we know how. You have the vaccination rates at record highs - isn't that enough?? Cannot you trust your own response that you shared with us all last year - that when levels get to a certain percent that things will go back to normal.

I humbly request that this Bill is stopped and there are NO MORE extensions.

