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To: [Community Support and Services Committee](#)
Subject: RE: Public Health and Other Legislation (Extension of Expiring Provisions) Amendment Bill 2022 - not in support
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Submission

To the Committee Secretary,

Committee Secretary
Community Support and Services Committee
Parliament House
George Street
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RE: Public Health and Other Legislation (Extension of Expiring Provisions) Amendment Bill 2022

I write to the committee to clearly state my opposition to all parts of the Public Health and Other Legislation (Extension of Expiring Provisions) Amendment Bill 2022. I DO NOT want an Extension to the Emergency Bill.

This mandate has caused a rift and isolation between colleagues, friends and family. The cost on people's mental well-being and financial has been overwhelming.

The unvaccinated have been pushed to be second class citizens and yet the spread of the virus hasn't slowed. People that were once working side by side to push through this virus are now pitted against each other. Vaccination rates are nearly reaching targets and yet restrictions aren't slowing fast enough. The people are ready to get back to our lives and get on with it. It saddens me to be treated the way I have been treated and I'm clearly not the only one. As a member of the community that was forced to choose between my freedom of choice and my career, I am extremely disheartened and defeated. I am willing and able to work but mandates have made this impossible.

Queenslanders have been living under a 'State of Emergency' for over 2 years and I am opposed to any further extensions of emergency powers. These powers have resulted in infringements on human dignity, human rights and fundamental freedoms of Queenslanders. If this amendment bill is passed, Queenslanders will be living under a State of Emergency for nearly 3 years without appropriate justification.

I call on the Premier to end these mandates so Queenslanders can get on with what we do best - take on this challenge together. We need to put out resources towards looking after the vulnerable (not just when it comes to the virus).

Please take on board my submission. I DO NOT want an Extension to the Emergency Bill until 31st October 2022.

Kind Regards,

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