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Committee Secretary
Community Support and Services
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Dear Committee Secretary,

RE: PUBLIC HEALTH AND OTHER LEGISLATION (EXTENSION OF EXPIRING PROVISIONS) AMENDMENT BILL 2022 (BILL)

I am writing this letter to submit formally that I **do not** support the Bill nor the extension of the state of emergency.

The Queensland community has been living under a dictate with no reasonable pathway to remedy and nowhere to go when they endure unjustified abuse as a result of the introductions of policies that are supposed to “protect” them.

Two years of destruction is enough!

These last two years under a SOE have shown us that this gives power to those provided power through the SOE to introduce disproportionate directives and mandates that have long lasting and devastating consequences on peoples lives in Queensland and throughout the nation; being more destructive than the disease itself, as seen through:

- The increase in demand for mental health services since March 2020 [1]
- The diminishment of trust in our public institutions and State Government
- The fundamental changes in relationships with each other due to discrimination
- The loss of free speech, freedom of conscience and bodily autonomy
- The significant devastation of middle-class businesses while major corporations pulled in record profits in comparative industries
- The loss of thousands of jobs due to vaccine mandates in workplaces
- Businesses not deemed ‘high-risk’ given permission and encouraged to enforce vaccine policies.

“Power corrupts, absolute power corrupts absolutely” – Lord Acton.

No democratic government should have the power to mandate a medical experiment upon its population. Yet, under a SOE, democracy, reason, existing laws and human rights legislation have been suspended or overridden with governments and unelected officials being able to force Queenslanders’ to repeatedly participate in a medical experiment of which the **long-term consequences could not have been known.**

False claims regarding State of Emergency

I bring to the Committees attention that the SOE was initially justified based on wildly inaccurate modelling from the Imperial College in London which predicted a significantly inaccurate death toll, almost 10-fold above the reported deaths of COVID-19 deaths from March to October 2020. The admission of the scientific community publicly stated they sought to drive fear through their inaccurate predictions, admitting *“Initial projections built worst-case scenarios that would never happen as a means of spurring leadership into action”* [3]

I remind you, Queenslanders are not to blame for the inadequacies within its administration and should not be used or punished by elected officials to save face or to seek additional powers and funds through use of SOE, for a pandemic that is very close to 'endemic'.

I refer to the grossly over reported death tolls with the admission from the CDC that only 6% of COVID 19 deaths could be solely attributed to the virus [4]. Yet, the previous overprediction and over reporting of deaths saw the public enter into a state of fear and panic, of which State governments chose to exploit and continued to keep people in a state of fear and isolated, instead of communicating important truths such as:

- Healthy people are not at high risk of the complications of SARS-COV-2 if they do catch it
- Natural ways to boost their immune system to lesson the symptoms if they do come in contact with the virus (claiming ONLY vaccines can do this)
- Health people are not spreaders of the disease
- There are safe and effective protocols to aid recovery that can be treated with at home, doctors have been using since March 2020, that do not involve vaccination
- Natural infection gives longer-lasting and durable protection against reinfection
- The reported severity of the disease was and has been grossly overestimated.

Given the above information, there is absolutely no need for an extension to the SOE, Queenslanders can take less invasive precautions. This is particularly important because we know now how the SOE can be used to terrorise, discriminate against and destroy the lives and livelihoods of so many respectable, law-abiding, innocent Queenslanders'. The extension to the SOE is less about managing the disease, and more about retaining the powers that have been obtained over Queenslanders since the start of the pandemic.

I ask you to refer to the other countries around the world who have taken a democratic approach and successfully managed the pandemic and at the same time protected their citizens and their economy. These countries provided 'recommendations' not mandates. Sweden has a significantly lower death rate per million with 1,677 through trusting in the ability of their citizens to follow 'recommendations' and take care of their health, as opposed to their neighbouring countries who had some of the most oppressive control measures in place; the UK with 2,354 per million and France with 2,112 per million [5,6,7).

Vaccines are ineffective

The introduction of the vaccination roll outs was presented as a 'return to normal' with mass vaccination. This has not been the case. The rules continue to change. With first one dose, then two, and now the booster. Government coerced, forced, and bullied citizens to achieve their desired vaccination rates, and placed the responsibility on businesses to mandate staff, the alternative was laboursome checklists and restrictions of who they could service. Government knew they could not mandate citizens to undergo a vaccination under the constitution and human rights laws, so the fear mongering and the pressure on business increased. I reiterate again, these vaccinations are experimental and ONLY approved under emergency authorisation for use. It is the SOE that is bought into question here.

Furthermore, I bring to your attention several studies that show that the vaccines are ineffective; (this is evident alone by the need to continually have boosters, and that those who are vaccinated are continually contracting and spreading the virus – note, prior to the introduction to vaccines, Queensland only had 7 reported COVID deaths. However, once the borders opened to ONLY

vaccinated individuals the number shot up to 540. I also note, that the infection fatality rate is also higher now post vaccination, than it was before mass vaccination begun [8, 9, 10]).

- **Israel** – highest vaccinated population, highest rate of infection, hospitalisation and death, with the 4th booster found to be ineffective against Omicron [11, 12, 13, 14].
- **Scotland** – study found double and triple vaccinated were at an increased risk of infection [15].
- **Denmark** – study found both the Pfizer and Moderna vaccines to be ineffective against COVID-19 [16].

Lifesaving remedies withheld

We have also seen reputable Doctors and academics at the top of their fields being silenced and censored and prevented from offering viable, lifesaving remedies – the full extent of this censorship and the lives lost are yet to be fully realised. The question remains – why were these doctors NOT participating in working groups or invited to participate with the Australian Health Protection Principal Committee (AHPPC) to plan Australia’s response to COVID19, but rather this was left to non-practicing bureaucrats’ who bear the title Doctor only for academic and bureaucratic purposes.

After two years, we are wiser, and we know better. Many people have caught and recovered (at home) from omicron. The draconian restrictions and extended SOE is disproportionate to the virus itself, in fact as highlighted above, it only serves to cause more destruction.

Reject the Bill and the extension of the State of Emergency

As a living, human being, and resident of Queensland, I am asking the Committee to ask of yourselves what side of history do you want to be on, and to then do the right thing by all of us and **vote against this Bill**. There are plenty of less intrusive methods to support Queenslanders to remain safe, and to rebuild our health system and economy.

Regards,

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