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Submission

To the Committee Secretary,

Committee Secretary
Community Support and Services Committee
Parliament House
George Street
Brisbane Qld 4000

RE: Public Health and Other Legislation (Extension of Expiring Provisions) Amendment Bill 2022

I write to the committee to clearly state my vehement opposition to all parts of the Public Health and Other Legislation (Extension of Expiring Provisions) Amendment Bill 2022.

Reasons

- There is no COVID-19 emergency, as the Health Dept state that over 90% of Queenslanders have been vaccinated
- To extend the 'state of emergency' powers would be a government overreach when there is clearly no emergency which can justify sound empirical evidence on health advice
- To continue such powers would require a detailed risk-benefit analysis and be subject to public scrutiny
- The current powers have already breached the basic rights and freedoms of Queenslanders
- These powers have isolated and segregated many people by creating a discriminatory tier in society
- The effectiveness of the vaccines have not been successful in keeping the Omicron variant in check
- The Australian Bureau of Statistics state that 8.6% of deaths were directly linked to Covid which shows how few genuine Covid deaths there have been. Not pandemic proportions by any means
- The introduction of the vaccine mandate has not stopped the spread of the virus and yet the government's response has been to stand down health care workers, education staff, hospitality staff and force closures of businesses
- The vaccines have now been shown to create serious adverse reactions in many Queenslanders which Pfizer have now admitted and published in their report,
5.3.6 Cumulative Analysis of Post-Authorisation Adverse Events Report
- Queensland's Covid hospitalisations are decreasing, borders have opened, mask restrictions and capacity limits are relaxing. Therefore, extending the provisions are scientifically unjustified

The Health Minister must declare an end to the 'Covid -19 emergency' and end ALL mandates as other countries around the world have done and start to treat Covid-19 as an endemic disease like 'the flu'.

I ask that the committee review in detail scientific literature and supporting evidence the Health Minister is relying on to justify a 6 month extension of the expiring provisions and what specific conditions in Queensland would satisfy a declaration of the end of the 'Covid-19 emergency' as defined by the Public Health Act 2005. The public release of this information is vital for government transparency, government oversight and to safeguard against potential abuse of the Public Health Act 2005.

Kind regards

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