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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 (BILL)**

I am writing to formally advise that I **DO NOT** support this bill and **strongly object** to any extension of the state of emergency bill which is currently before the Community Support and Services Committee. The original Emergency Bill was granted based on a death rate from the Alpha and Delta variants.

The following are the reasons why I believe these mandates and Emergency powers are no longer necessary in Queensland.

- **Omicron variant is a very mild virus**
- **Cases have been reached their predicted peak and are falling substantially**
- **Many Queenslanders have had Covid-19 and the state has now reached herd, natural immunity**
- **Case numbers have indicated the original modelling was substantially overinflated**
- **Extension of powers is based on Covid deaths in Qld and covid numbers and recent health data is now showing the exaggeration of such data**
- **Current estimates indicate that Omicron deaths are only a very small proportion of the adjusted figures**
- **Vaccination targets of over 90% in Queenslanders has been reached**
- **The vaccination has not been effective against the latest variants**
- **High staff shortages in many of the industries in Queensland including in the health industry, Aged Care, Education sector as well as the emergency services sectors**
- **IF extended to 31 October 2022, the Emergency Powers will have been in effect almost three years thus having an enormous, negative impact on the mental and physical health of Queenslanders which has been grossly understated by both the government and the media**
- **Vaccinations are not stopping the transmission or spread of the virus in either vaccinated or vaccination-free people**
- **Mandates have proven to be highly discriminatory, shutting many people out of society thus having a horrendous impact on the mental health of many who make their own health choices**
- **Negative impacts far outweigh the benefits of vaccination mandates as vaccination-free people are now unemployed and shut out of society**
- **Potential for continued discrimination via these emergency powers is unacceptable to any democratic society**

I write to you as a concerned mother, wife and ex-employee of the education system. Both my husband and myself have been terminated from our employment in the education system because

of the vaccine mandates. This has had a devastating impact on us, both financially and from a mental health perspective. These mandates are set to end in April 2022 and you can ensure this happens by recommending such to the Queensland Parliament.

Any extension is not warranted and **should not** be granted.

Yours sincerely

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