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To Whom It May Concern,

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

I write as a very concerned citizen of Queensland. I've only become aware of the above Bill coming before parliament, of which submissions close midday today 4th March 2022.

I do NOT support the above Bill.

The health measures implemented by the government over the last 2 years have created many issues, including the following:

- segregation of the vaccinated and the unvaccinated, creating suspicion and distrust in the community
- immense job loss due to the vaccine mandates
- the closing of small to medium size businesses due to lockdowns and mandates
- a growing distrust towards government leaders and public institutions, as goal posts were constantly changed
- increased demand for mental health services

Myself, and others in my community, are currently experiencing mental stress and overload directly related to the over-reach of the government regarding this bill. We are concerned about providing for our families with the threat of vaccine mandates looming over our jobs. We are worried about losing friends and family due to the segregation this is causing. We ask, when can we be part of our school communities and local events again to volunteer? When can we enjoy a meal in a local restaurant with ALL our friends and family? When can we have no restrictions in visiting friends and family in other states and overseas?

Where is the justification of the extension when –

- vaccination rates are so high, but transmission still occurs
- Omicron cases are decreasing, due to acquired immunity in the community
- and hospitals are not overwhelmed with these cases

We have learnt a lot about the virus in the last 2 years, and we can grow from this. The latest Australian Bureau of Statistics information released on the 15/02/2022 highlighted that the COVID deaths were grossly over reported which created fear in our communities.

See <https://www.abs.gov.au/articles/covid-19-mortality-australia>

- Over the 22 months of COVID, 273,901 Australians died. Of these deaths only 2,639 people were COVID related (less than 1% of the total deaths).
- Of these COVID related deaths, 91.4% of these had on average 2.7 diseases or conditions certified alongside the virus.
- The median age of COVID related deaths was 81 years for men and 86 years for women (both ABOVE our national average life span).
- In 2019, 4,124 people died of influenza and pneumonia. This being far more than 2639 COVID deaths over 22 months. <https://www.abs.gov.au/statistics/health/causes-death/causes-death-australia/2019>

The spread of the virus does not discriminate between those who are vaccinated and those who are not. Vaccination mandates commenced in QLD on 17th December 2021, where vaccinated people were free to socialise in venues such as restaurants, theatres and hospitals. At that point, total cases were 2,227 with a fully vaccinated status of 82.12%. In just 1 month, when fully vaccinated status had increased to 87.31%, the total cases had climbed to 185,195.

<https://www.health.gov.au/resources/collections/coronavirus-covid-19-at-a-glance-infographic-collection>

This brings me to the important question, are the vaccines actually effective in transmission?

- The Omicron variant is more contagious BUT significantly less deadly. This can be seen from studies all over the world.
<https://www.medrxiv.org/content/10.1101/2022.01.11.22269045v1>
<https://www.medrxiv.org/content/10.1101/2021.12.21.21268116v1>
- **Omicron has been shown to be mild for the clear majority of healthy people.** The acquired immunity that has been obtained by the community should be highlighted and seen as a positive to leading towards herd immunity. I also ask that you consider INNATE immunity, which would explain why not all people are affected by COVID when exposed.
- **All COVID vaccines are provisionally approved, based on short term safety and efficacy data** (See Consumer Medicine Information summary of each vaccine). Therefore, they are still under investigation. **Given this fact, the vaccine mandates need to be dropped across ALL industries.**
- There are early warning signals showing of adverse reactions to the COVID vaccines. According to the latest Database of Adverse Event Notifications, there are 111,112 cases of which 766 deaths were a reported outcome. Also see studies:
<https://avn.org.au/peer-reviewed-medical-papers-for-adverse-events-in-covid-19-vaccine-recipients/>

Where there is risk, there needs to be choice without coercion. The threat of losing one's job is coercion.

This state of emergency suspends democracy, individual freedom, and open public discourse. We were told this would be temporary, however each time it is renewed without true justification, this demonstrates the suspension of democracy. Surely a better approach is for governments to provide

accurate data and information regarding the virus, give guidance and recommendations (not mandates) and to trust their citizens. Protect the vulnerable as detailed in the Great Barrington Declaration which has been signed by almost 1 million concerned medical practitioners and concerned citizens. See <https://gbdeclaration.org/>

And early treatment protocols need to be established as matter of urgency for those vulnerable people. See <https://c19early.com/>

There has to be a better way, as this approach by our government is NOT working.

I ask that you consider this seriously before proceeding with extending this bill.

Kind Regards,

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