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То:	Community Support and Services Committee
Subject:	Do not extend the Covid emergency powers in QLD
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To the QLD Parliament,

Regarding the proposal to extend the Qld Covid emergency powers.

The emergency powers do NOT need to be extended.

The arrival of the Omicron variant of Covid has made the disease for the population much less significant. It is the vaccination mandates and isolation rules that have caused the greatest strain on the medical field, not Covid itself. The statistics from the ABS show that it is the very old and those with many comorbidities that are the ones most at risk from Covid not the general population. The mandates are not proportionate nor reasonable for what we know now.

Covid 19, especially all of the mandates that have been imposed because of it, has had a detrimental effect on the people of Queensland for too long. The people of Queensland are ready to move on and take up the responsibility themselves on how to deal with Covid-19.

All around the world we see countries lift the covid restrictions and give people the responsibility and trust on how to live with Covid. Queensland needs to lead the way in Australia to giving Australians their freedoms back.

Democracy demands that the leaders listen to the people who are moving on. It's time for the government to lead the people out of the restrictions.

Covid numbers are reducing, community immunity is increasing and the doctors on the front line that I talk to say that Covid is now endemic.

Do not add more burden, stress or harm to the people of Queensland. Do not extend the emergency powers.

Kind Regards,

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