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

Dear Sir/Madam,

This is my submission regarding the extension of the emergency powers which I strongly reject.

'The purpose of the Bill is to:

 further extend the operation of essential public health measures implemented to facilitate Queensland's response to the COVID-19 pandemic..'

I was terminated from my almost 20 year career as a Disability Support Worker, for not complying with vaccine mandates that were put in place based on emergency powers.

Emergency powers can only be granted if there are no safe and effective treatments available - there are treatments available, see TGA website for details.

At 5,000+ cases per day in Queensland, we have had more than 580,000 cases, with very few deaths, the case fatality rate is lower than seasonal flu.

Emergency powers should only be used for urgent situations where there are no other options - this is clearly not the case. Early treatment and natural immunity have been shown to be highly valuable, but not utilised.

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