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**To:** [Community Support and Services Committee](#)  
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Dear Committee,

I strongly object to any Extension of the Emergency Bill due to the prevalence of Omicron's extremely low death rate compared to the early delta/alpha variants which was the reason for granting the original Emergency Bill.

The case numbers recorded have indicated that the original modelling was substantially overinflated. The extension of these powers is based on COVID deaths in Queensland and COVID numbers, but the health data is now showing the exaggeration of such data. Based on current estimates that indicate Omicron deaths are only a very small fraction of those adjusted numbers. Therefore, any extension is not warranted and should NOT be granted.

The potential for continued discrimination as a result of these emergency powers is unacceptable to any democratic society.

The negative implications of these mandates and the pressure it is placing on Queenslanders through the loss of their jobs and a pressured healthcare system, far outweigh the negatives going forward. Particularly when it seems that many Queenslanders have had COVID-19, now have natural immunity, and according to the Government's own modelling, the peak has now passed.

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