

Dear Sir/madam,

I am writing to **strongly object** to the extension of the State of Emergency Bill. The Covid-19 pandemic is over and numerous countries around the world are dropping mandates and emergency powers. The peak of the Omicron variant has passed even at its highest, it never reached the catastrophic levels Below I have listed Data and facts that support the stance that this Bill no longer has justifiable reasoning to be extended.

Australian Bureau of Statistics:

The extension of powers is based on COVID deaths in Queensland and COVID numbers is ridiculous. The ABS data is now showing the exaggeration of such data. One such example is that 'COVID-19 was the 38th leading cause of death (898 deaths).' Of those 898 people who died across Australia in 2020 the bureau of statistics states these supporting facts in relation to Covid-19:

- Their median age at death was 86 years.
- Just over half were female (460 female deaths, 438 male deaths).
- People who died from the virus under the age of 70 were more likely to be male.
- Dementia was the most common pre-existing condition (275 deaths).
- Chronic cardiac conditions, hypertension and diabetes were also commonly reported comorbidities.
- The majority of deaths occurred in people with a usual residence of Victoria (800 deaths).

The last dot point clearly identifies that this bill has no clear justifiable evidence for extending the emergency powers here in Queensland.

Looking further into Queensland data as at 19:00 on the 3/3/2022 the total number of deaths to Covid, are at 577 (0.011%) of a total population of 5 176 186. Many of those deaths attributed to comorbidities.

- As of 31 January 2022, only 69 people have died from Covid-19. While these deaths over the over 80s are regrettable, 791 people took their lives in Queensland in 2020 and this was highest in men aged 35 to 39.

Unemployment

- According to budget review on social security and welfare, in 2020 new start, jobseeker payment rose by a whopping 97.5%! They spent \$28.2 billion on

corona virus measures! Queensland's unemployment rate is the second highest in the country at 4.4% which can be attributed to the unjustified mandates placed on Queenslanders under these emergency powers.

Democracy

- Australia is a democratic country, where the people have a right to vote on changes that impact their lives. These emergency powers have run their course and to extend them would change our country from a democratic society to one ruled by a dictatorship. The emergency powers are being used to instil fear and control.

Internationally

- The UK and many European countries have dropped their mandates. The Supreme Court in the US has deemed them unconstitutional and have blocked in congress any further attempts to be blocked. This past week NZ high court ruled in favour of NZ Police and the NZ Defence force in stopping the mandates, as there was no justifiable evidence to support the mandates.

Sincerely,

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