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То:	Community Support and Services Committee
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Dear Committee,

I Christie Howden strongly object to an extension of the Emergency Bill in relation due to Covid-19. The original bill was granted on predictive modelling in regards to case numbers & deaths of both the Alpha & Delta variants, both of which have proven to be substantially overrated. Now with the much milder variant Omicron being the dominant variant which for most people they have very mild symptoms if any & it has proven to be no more than a common cold. The statistics, case numbers & deaths are significantly lower than predicted & according to the daily & overall reports from the Queensland Government & Health Department, in the very low number of deaths the overwhelming majority of people who died with a recent positive Covid-19 test had multiple comorbidities, were elderly & died with Covid & not necessarily from covid according to the Chief Health Officer himself .Any extension of these Emergency powers would be unnecessary & a violation of human rights & unacceptable in a democratic society.

The potential for continued discrimination via these emergency powers is unacceptable. The negative impact of these mandates and the pressure it is placing on Queenslanders through loss of employment, the suffering of businesses due to mandates, lockdowns, the healthcare system being understaffed & overwhelmed & much more far outweigh any use of such emergency powers being enforced, particularly when so many Queenslanders have now had Covid-19 & now have natural immunity & with such a high percentage of our population being vaccinated. According to the Government and Chief Health Officer we have also passed the peak & case numbers & deaths are dramatically declining.

Christie Howden

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