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Dear Committee

**Re: Opposition to the proposed extension of the Qld Emergency Bill to 31 October 2022**

We are on strong opposition to the extension of this bill for the following reasons:

1. After more than 2 years of the pandemic, much more is understood about the lethality of the virus, the overall extremely high survival rates and the safety and efficacy of the CV19 vaccines.
2. The new Omicron variant is much less severe while being more infectious, as is the usual pattern of virus variants.
3. The original Emergency Bill was put in place for the Alpha and Delta variants, which have largely been replaced by Omicron. This original bill was based on the risk profile of the Alpha and Delta variants which is no longer relevant to the Omicron and new variants that may appear
4. The risk to an Australian population that is 94% double vaxxed is significantly low, and even more so as herd immunity is achieved.
5. The original Emergency Bill was based on flawed modelling which has proven to be greatly over-estimated, and faulty PCR tests which have now proven to result in high numbers of false positives. Interesting to note that the US discontinued the use of PCR tests on 31 December 2021.
6. The Emergency Powers have been disproportionate to the risk, and have damaged and destroyed many lives. Mental illness, bankruptcies, family and marriage breakdowns.
7. Now that data from other nations proves the vaccines do not stop infection or transmission. In addition, deaths from the vaccines are higher than deaths from the virus ( 9 in every 10 deceased in the UK are fully vaccinated) it is time to re-evaluate - not extend Emergency Powers that have passed their 'use-by-date'.
8. The only plausible explanation for an extension of the Emergency Bill is for the Queensland State Government to continue their mandates and restrictions which are not loner necessary.

Therefore - we strongly object to ANY extensions of the Emergency Bill.

With regards

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