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To: <u>Community Support and Services Committee</u>

Subject: The he Public Health and Other Legislation (Extension of Expiring Provisions) Amendment Bill 2022

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Dear Sir/Madam,

Re: The he Public Health and Other Legislation (Extension of Expiring Provisions) Amendment Bill 2022

I am writing in response to the invitation to make a submission to a committee inquiry regarding the above Bill.

I do have a significant concern to any Extension of the emergency Bill, namely there is no necessity for introducing the extension of public health emergency declaration, given the current public health situation in regard to COVID19 statistics as below.

- --[if !supportLists]-->1) <!--[endif]-->The number of deaths due to COVID19 that was officially registered was 2566 (Australian Bureau of Statistics : ABS), AND
- --[if !supportLists]-->2) <!--[endif]-->Median age died from COVID19 was 81.2 (male) and 86.0 (female). This is HIGHER than the average life expectancy in Australia :
 - 85.3 (male), 81.2 (female): From, 4th Nov 2020 ABS report
- --[if !supportLists]-->3) <!--[endif]-->The highest number of deaths from COVID19 occurred among the age 80 to 89 y.o.
- --[if !supportLists]-->4) <!--[endif]-->The cause of deaths from COVID19 was 38th from all causes (Please note : it is not first or second cause).
- --[if !supportLists]-->5) <!--[endif]-->On average, the deaths due to COVID19 had 2.7 other diseases and conditions certified along the virus.

As seen in 1)-5), COVID19 only affects a very specific community. It is clear that the disease does not affect the QLD community in a broader sense.

Recently, the Omicron variant surged throughout QLD community and it is subsiding. This helps to create Herd Immunity among the QLD community. A lot of the community members had already had double dose vaccination, and also did contract COVID19. Some who hadn't had the

vaccination also did contract the disease. This means that, a lot who have had COVID19 already and developed the immunity against SARS-COV2 virus. This greatly assists the whole QLD community to move towards acquiring Herd Immunity.

The original Emergency Bill was proposed and granted based on the death rate from the previous variants such as Alpha and Delta.

Given the current circumstance above, the extension of the state of public health emergency does seem to be unnecessary. The government's responsibility lies in considering all the community members fairly, and as equally as possible as a democratic society expects as such. The extension of the state of public health emergency will give the government to continue lockdowns, mask mandates and segregation due to the vaccination status which hinders the certain members of the community are hindered from attending social activities and sometime from more significant activities such as attending the sick beds of their loved ones in hospitals and nursing homes.

The detrimental effects those measures cause would be far exceeding and broader, than the effects that COVID19 is placing in our community.

Also, please note that there is more convincing scientific evidence emerging worldwide for the use of effective treatment for COVID19 (https://ivmmeta.com/). It would be a great idea for the QLD government to be a leader in such a innovative move to research and widely implement such treatment strategy, and to lift fears from the whole QLD community so that all the Queenslander can enjoy living free from the excessive level of fear from COVID19 and deaths.

