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To all those elected to represent the people of Queensland

I am writing to categorically oppose support any ANY extension the the Emergency Bill.

There is no reason for an extension of Emergency Powers until the end of Oct with the option to extend into 2024. This is neither reasonable nor proportionate to the situation.

1)The ABS data leaves no doubt that in 2022 there is no pandemic and no emergency. Not only does the total death count across Australia show that CoVid was ultimately an unremarkable cause of mortality when compared to other respiratory illnesses (ie. Flu) and other causes in general, but also highlights that the vast majority (91.4%) of the deaths involved a relatively short list of co-morbidities or causes. This is not to trivialise these deaths or suggest they would have died anyway but to highlight that the risk of CoVid is highly amenable to stratification of known risks. Removing these known risks reveals that the actual risk to the population is virtually zero. Mitigation of the risk for the stratified groups can be achieved through targeting resource and efforts toward these groups and is therefore not a matter requiring broad and sweeping Public Health interventions.

2) Suggesting that the Emergency powers enabled the successful mitigation of the risk is also unsupportable.

The attached reference from the Brownstone Institute contains at least 400 references of studies compiled around the world highlighting this and 150 studies on mask ineffectiveness and harms specifically.

<https://brownstone.org/articles/more-than-400-studies-on-the-failure-of-compulsory-covid-interventions/>
<https://brownstone.org/articles/more-than-150-comparative-studies-and-articles-on-mask-ineffectiveness-and-harms/>

In summary these references and others confirm that:

- i) Masks are ineffective and cause numerous negative health outcomes, particularly for children
- ii) Lockdowns do only harm and the benefits, if any, are minimal
- iii) Restrictions of movement (public spaces, schools etc) provide negligible benefit in reducing cases but do great harm to business and mental health.

As a result of the unreasonable and disproportionate use of the Emergency powers to date we are left with a severely damaged economy, particularly in the Hospitality and tourism sectors, staff shortages in Public Health, Policing and schools. A large increase in mental health issues and we are only now becoming aware of the mental health and developmental delays in children.

Please stop this gross overreach of power immediately.

Regards
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