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Dear Committee,

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

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Extension of the Emergency Bill

Community Support and Services Committee

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

- 1. The pandemic has lasted for 2 years. We now know much more about the virus and the risk. The vaccines have been taken up by 94% of the Australia population, so an extension of the Emergency Bill is not necessary. The emergency is over!
- 2. Omicron is much less severe- while being more infectious, but poses no real risk only an opportunity for better herd immunity.
- 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 The original Emergency Bill was put in place for the Alpha and Delta variants, which have largely been replaced by Omicron.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 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.
- 5. The Emergency Powers have been over- the -top and have done more harm than good! Mental illness, bankruptcies, family and marriage breakdowns.
- 6. 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 usefulness.

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

Susan Blair	

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