

Good morning Committee Secretary

I refer you to the attached Australian government information regularly updated and published for anyone interested in the data. My alarm is the response of your party, Queensland Labour, the Queensland government of the day, to 150 cases of covid nationwide. 909 Australians deaths attributed to covid, in total. Any intelligent person finds it reasonable to question the unreasonable actions taken by various governments.

At the time of writing an email in 2021 (to my State Representative, Joan Pease who did not reply or respond in any form), 10,206,229 abortions have occurred worldwide. I object to willing murder of unborn children. Source: Abortion Statistics - Worldometer (worldometers.info) According to WHO, every year in the world there are an estimated 40-50 million abortions. This corresponds to approximately 125,000 abortions per day.

Does it alarm you there are more unborn children murdered worldwide than the population of living Australians?

Meanwhile covid has seen a marked reduction on the number of flu cases and deaths. A consistent number of cases and deaths for many years until an incredible decrease that commenced at a similar time to the eruption of covid. This intersection is worthy of further consideration and investigation (if you are brave enough to do so).

I refer you to The prevalence of domestic violence among women during the COVID-19 pandemic | Australian Institute of Criminology (aic.gov.au) For many women, the pandemic coincided with the onset or escalation of violence and abuse. Two-thirds of women who experienced physical or sexual violence by a current or former cohabiting partner since the start of the COVID-19 pandemic said the violence had started or escalated in the three months prior to the survey.

What is Queensland Labor doing about the rise in domestic violence? On average, one woman a week is murdered by her current or former partner. Bryant, W. & Bricknall, S. (2017). Homicide in Australia 2012-2014: National Homicide Monitoring Program report. Canberra: Australian Institute of Criminology. Retrieved from: <https://bit.ly/2ozctxh>.

Family, domestic and sexual violence is a major national health and welfare issue that can have lifelong impacts for victims and perpetrators. Responses to covid cases including lockdown, school closures etc has a direct correlation to the increased numbers of cases and women, men, boys and girls who are experiencing physical, emotional and mental trauma. What is the Queensland Government doing about this? The government has a responsibility to conduct business in a manner that causes minimum damage to the public whom they serve.

Families and small to medium businesses have borne the brunt of the poor decisions of this State Government and they seek to extend their emergency powers they have failed to exercise in a responsible and transparent manner.

My husband, myself and several of our adult children and young grandchildren have had covid-19 and all fully recovered. We are a mix of vaccinated and not vaccinated men, women and children.

This disease is not the death sentence we were told by the media and government agencies and politicians.

The people I regularly speak with have little or no confidence in this government and to extend the expiring provisions is not only unfounded it is anti-democratic.

I do not support this bill being passed and the expiring provisions being extended.

I have no confidence in the ability of the current Queensland government in their response to this respiratory illness.

I urge you to reject this bill and the extension to the state of emergency.

Kind regards

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Regards

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