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Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding the proposed Bill to extend the State of Emergency powers of the government until 31 October 2022.

I have found the government's use of these emergency powers reprehensible for the following reasons:

- * The government made no effort to use less extreme measures, particularly positive health efforts, either before imposing mandates or during the course of the pandemic
- * Conversely, any alternative medical support for people suggested/offered (either proactive or reactive) was demonised and/or silenced. Safe and effective treatments were banned. Medical professionals were threatened to ensure they did not contradict this government response.
- * No attempt was made to encourage people with basic improvement in health using diet, exercise, exposure to sunlight etc. Hygiene practices, that were advocated, were arguably the best response the government made to covid, but these required no emergency powers
- * The data and other sources of information the government used to support their measures was biased and faulty (some of which was deliberately and knowingly falsified) and constructed a false narrative. No effort was made to make independent assessment of the information that was used, even when concerns were raised
- * Ignoring proper procedure, the government exposed a whole population to potential serious, even life-threatening injuries via the vaccines. Furthermore, these injuries have impacted whole families, not simply individuals
- * The government's policies and requirements for reporting incidences of covid, covid deaths, and vaccination injuries skewed and falsified the conclusions. The reporting of the data was shaped to represent the government's position and hide the truth
- * All The the government's actions during the State of Emergency have exacerbated natural fears to horrific and unwarranted proportions, producing damaging mental health conditions among a multitude of lovely, kind people, and most concerning, among the children and youth of this state,

who are too young to make their own assessment of the situation. This is one of the most reprehensible outcomes of the government's misuse of its powers

- * The impacts of the coercive measures taken against people who would not voluntarily comply with vaccination mandates are ruthless, and have affected innocent people in far-reaching ways; both personally and in the community.
- * The imposed division upon our society because of the government's position on vaccination is unforgivable

Additionally, I would relate my personal experience. Because of the mandates, and my family's freedom of conscience lawful decision to refuse the offer of vaccination, we have suffered the following, among other minor inconveniences and injustices:

- My who has a medical condition, is only allowed one parent to accompany her to hospital. No matter the health/exposure of the parent, this adult must be tested for covid as part of the punishment for making the choice. Hospital visits are stressful enough without further difficulties. We managed with telehealth. However, my is in line for some surgery. If the extension is granted, she would again be limited to one parent to accompany her. This is possible, but not friendly, nor conducive to best practice care of mental health.
- My is in a nursing home. I have no personal access to her whenever there is a lockdown. Recently, covid was present in the nursing home and I have not been able to see her since Christmas. My dementia. We have noticed the tragic effects on her condition because of this.