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To: [Community Support and Services Committee](#)
Subject: Re: Public Health And Other Legislation(Extension of ExpiringProvisions) Amendment Bill 2022 (Bill)
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Committee Secretary
Community Support and Services Committee

Dear Committee Secretary,

I would like to formally advise that I DO NOT support the Bill or the extension of the state of emergency.

None of the dire predictions forecast by the Government have eventuated and there is no evidence that the state of emergency measures used to date have actually made a difference to the acquiring or spread of covid 19.

What the state of emergency powers have done is create fear & hatred for each other. I see this regularly in my community.

I see my friends & relatives mental health deteriorating because of the fear & hatred created by the state of emergency powers and what they allow the Government to implement.

Businesses have been destroyed, livelihoods ruined and services have been decimated for those of us who live outside the south east corner.

The vaccine mandates have meant friends & community members of our towns have lost their jobs and livelihoods; which has a major impact on our regional areas. We don't have the luxury of multiple service providers for many of the services that are taken for granted by those living in the south east corner. Services that are now gone because of the mandates.

The lifestyle of anyone outside the south east corner is far less likely to lead to the catching or transmission of covid 19. There is minimal use of public transport, capacity numbers in any environment is far less and high density public housing and high density residential living is minimal. The number of people per metric area is also far lower outside the south east corner.

Other Australian states, and many other countries have decided to end their state of emergency powers and allow people to get on with their lives, and live with covid.

Anyone who wishes to continue with the measures such as masks and avoiding pubs, clubs & restaurants that were implemented under the current state of emergency is free to do so and doesn't need a Bill to allow them to do so.

For the mental health and welfare of all Queenslanders please do not support this bill or extend these powers.

All I, and everyone I know, wants is freedom - freedom of choice, freedom of movement, bodily autonomy, freedom of speech, ability to accept responsibility for self.

I do not Want Mandates, I do not want the Government deciding what is right for me

Please do not support this Bill or extend the state of emergency.

Thank you

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