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More than twelve months ago, the Chief Health Officer was given emergency powers due to Covid-19, an unknown disease. 'Two weeks to flatten the curve', we were told, to stop our hospitals from being overwhelmed by the forecast inundation with Covid-19 patients. Things were not anticipated to get back to normal until a vaccine was available. Early last year much about Covid was unknown and with that came fear (which was made worse by the media).

This bill to extend the emergency powers, if passed, would be unconstitutional because the powers given under the proposed bill are only to be enacted in a state of emergency. There is no emergency by any objective standard.

Any acts or decisions made by the government pursuant to this proposed enactment would all be ultra vires and expose individual decision makers to personal liability within the security of crown immunity.

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