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**To:** Economics and Governance Committee

**Subject:** Public Health and Other Legislation (Further Extension of Expiring Provisions)

Amendment Bill 2021

## Dear Premier,

I am submitting my opposition to the extension of this bill. Australia has had one Covid death this year being an 80 year old returned traveller. We currently have 3 people in ICU and I fail to see how this warrants a state of emergency.

I oppose using positive test results to implement lock downs as they do not give a true indication of the situation but encourage totalitarian behaviour by our Government, this latest lockdown being an example of Government over reach. How can you justify the state of Origin being allowed yet 2 days later closing the SE Queensland economy for 4 days due to 5 positive test results.

Another example of Government hypocrisy is allowing the Rugby Union game to have a packed stadium because there is less risk as it is outdoors yet your Government saw fit to close Noosa main beach during school holidays and send Qld police in to enforce this closure.

I feel the only reason the Government has locked down due to 5 positive test results is that this bill was due to expire and another lock down was required to generate the fear to enable an extension of Government state of emergency powers. I believe the reason you are proposing an extension until end of April 2022 is to move the expiry away from school holiday periods to reduce any public backlash. Current 3 month extensions expire September, December and April upcoming school holiday periods.

Regards, Raymond Paradies

