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To: [Economics and Governance Committee](#)
Subject: Public Health and Other Legislation (Further Extension of Expiring Provisions) Amendment Bill 2021
Date: Monday, 5 July 2021 8:05:30 AM

Committee Secretary
Economics and Governance Committee
Parliament House
George Street
Brisbane Qld 4000

Dear sir/Madame,

It has come to my attention that Qld want to extend emergency powers beyond the 3 months that is limited by the Biosecurity Act....

Biosecurity emergencies and human biosecurity
emergencies Chapter 8
Human biosecurity emergencies Part 2
Human biosecurity emergency powers Division 2

Section 476
Biosecurity Act 2015 487
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476 Governor-General may extend a human
biosecurity emergency period
(1) The Governor-General may vary a human
biosecurity emergency declaration to extend the
human biosecurity emergency period for a period of up
to 3 months if the Health Minister is satisfied that:
(a) the declaration listed human disease is continuing
to pose a severe and immediate threat, or is continuing

to cause harm, to human health on a nationally
significant scale; and
(b) the extension is necessary to prevent or control:
(i) the entry of the declaration listed human disease
into Australian territory or a part of Australian territory;
or Authorised Version

How is it that the commonwealth can only extend an emergency period by 3 months yet
the Qld Govt. can go beyond that?

What is not granted to the State by the Australian Constitution, (Biosecurity Act 2015) has
no force in law.

This proposed Bill is unlawful as it exceeds the powers of the BioSecurity Act which has
been crafted to avoid abuses of power as proposed by this Bill.

Regards,

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