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I am writing in response to the proposed "Public Health and Other Legislation (Further Extension of Expiring Provisions) Amendment Act 2021." Over a year into this crisis, we are still experiencing border closures, lockdowns, restrictions on the freedom of the people of Australia, and restrictions on commerce.

The Queensland government continues to pin it's hopes on experimental treatments by Pfizer and AstraZeneca, while ignoring the possible treatment and prevention available from Ivermectin, vitamin D, and other vitamin and mineral supplements that have been shown effective in the treatment and prevention of COVID-19 in other countries. This is not only a misuse of public funds, it also places the people of Queensland at serious health and financial risk due to the long-term effects of the Pfizer and AstraZeneca treatments.

The Queensland government continues to insist that people wear masks in many situations to "prevent the spread" of COVID-19, even though masks have been demonstrated ineffective in preventing the transmission of COVID-19. The small virus size can easily penetrate the masks and studies have shown them to be ineffective for this type of virus. There is no medical reason to be enforcing nor encouraging the wearing of masks for COVID-19.

The response to COVID-19 has been overreaching considering the very high recovery rate for patients with COVID-19. Continued lockdowns, border closures, and limitations of freedom of movement and freedom of commerce have had devastating effects on people's mental and physical health, relationships and livelihoods. This is a huge violation of the public trust.

The Queensland government has proven they cannot be trusted to act in the best interest of the population at large. Their response to COVID-19 has been misinformed at best. This Act provides unelected staff the continued ability to impose an emergency response to a situation that is no longer an emergency.

I strongly disagree with the extension of the Act, in particular the measures that do the following:

- Limit the free movement and association of people
- Limit the freedom of commerce
- Impart partial and ineffective health advice

COVID-19 is not going away, Pfizer and AstraZeneca treatments are not adequately effective nor safe, and COVID-19 is not a severe disease that warrants an emergency response. It is time for the Queensland Government to stop this state of emergency and allow people to use safe and effective measures to treat COVID-19.

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