

From: [REDACTED]
To: [Economics and Governance Committee](#)
Subject: Economics and Governance Committee Queensland Parliament
Date: Monday, 5 July 2021 11:20:38 PM

To the Committee

I am writing in regard to: Public Health and Other Legislation (Further Extension of Expiring Provisions) Amendment Bill 2021, where Hon Yvette D'Ath MP, is proposing to extend a range of powers for the Queensland Government until April 2022.

I am questioning whether extending Emergency Powers till April 2022 is really necessary or just another means for the government to exert control, in the form of lockdowns, when there are "now" a number of solutions available to reduce the impact of this disease.

The Queensland Government focus to date has been to lockdown to "reduce the number of cases to stop the spread" of the virus. With the number of reported cases, 1,714 over the past 18 months according to Queensland Health as at 4 July 2021 or approximately 0.00033217% of the Queensland population this strategy seems excessive and unnecessary.

It is my opinion that the combination of preventative measures including hand washing, social distancing, availability of masks, vaccines and quarantines for returning international travellers to name a few are sufficient.

To this end I formally register my objection to the extension of Hon Yvette D'Ath MP proposal to extend Emergency Powers.

Kind Regards
Meleigh Mackenzie
[REDACTED]