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To: <u>Economics and Governance Committee</u>

Subject: Submission on the proposed extension of Qld State of Emergency until April 2022.

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Dear Sir or Madam,

I am writing in respect to the request for submissions re an extension of Queeenland's State of Emergency. This would have to be the most unbelievable action for the Old government to take at this time. I have been following all the events around this pandemic very very closely for 18 months, and it has affected my life very personally. Due to my stand against what is happening which I believe to be the most hideous government overreach and disproportionate response, I resigned and de-registered from my job as a Registered Nurse after 35 years. So, yes, I am absolutely and passionately against what is currently going on across our nation, and as a Queenslander, highly concerned that the government is trying to take more State of Emergency power for about another 9 months. This is very serious, and has to raise huge questions about the motivations of our State government, and it's credibility. For a virus that to date in 2021, according to the government's own TGA website, there has been a reported 335 people who have now died following their Covid jabs, and there is no way that it can be said that this had nothing to do with the vaccines, which are still in their testing period for a couple more years, depending on the brand. I am asking why an extension of emergency powers is considered necessary for a virus that, in contrast to the vaccine, has only killed one person this year in Australia. I also ask why a state of emergency is deemed to be required even now? I believe this to be a high abuse of power and amounts to malfeasance, which is ironic, as it is coming from the departments relating to Health which are supposed to protect us.

The lockdowns are causing grave concerns for the mental health of thousands of Queenslanders, and I myself have recently developed a stress ulcer due to all that is going on. The constant uncertainly of whether you can make plans or not, and whether events can happen or not, is wearing people down, and many many people I talk to are losing hope. This constant state of being on the edge as the government can make these ridiculous snap lockdowns, due to the State of Emergency status, is causing far more harm than a virus that is KNOWN by now to have a survival rate of over 99%. Many people such as myself have lost all respect for the government which is smashing people's lives, businesses and holidays through such lockdowns and then in the next breath, will allow a huge football game to go ahead. The hypocrisy is getting noticed, and many people are disgusted by what is going on, as we are fed a diet of media fear 24/7 on the situation. The latest push to keep the fear going through promoting the Delta variant is very concerning, and the new term created known as "fleeting contact" to keep people suspicious of each other is so un-Australian. As a Registered Nurse for many years, I have been doing a lot of research, and the "Delta strain" actually has no more danger to us than what we have had previously. As they are telling us it is more contagious, what problem is that when the illness is very very rarely more than a mild cold or flu. This whole situation I believe is making the most unbelievable wimps out of us all. Aussies have always been known to be tough and resilient and our grandfathers who fought and died for our freedoms would be turning in their graves right now with the way we are responding to such a minor illness.

The way the government is handling this contravenes the Biosecurity Act on various points, and an extension of State of Emergency powers based on the current situation is fraudulent, as we are not in a situation that can remotely be considered an emergency. There are simply no words to describe the destruction this is causing our state, especially economically, and even the main stream media stated a few days ago, that Australia will be in deficit until 2060. Generations of Australians will be paying for this, and the government is acting as if there is an endless money stash to dish out. As an Australian tax payer I am extremely opposed to the way the governments, both state and federal, are spending our money on all this.

I am very opposed to taking the vaccine, and if the government is trying to coerce people to take this new biological product with no medium or long term safety studies even available, then I call this out as an infringement of valid consent. I oppose the government's attempts to shame people who do not wish to take the vaccine, such as the Premier's comments the other day about the young, unvaccinated Admin staff member at one of the Covid clinics. If a State of Emergency being lifted, is related to a certain percentage of Australians being vaccinated, then I also call this out also as coercive and manipulative, which is point 2 of one of the tenants of valid consent, as stated in the "Australian Immunisation Handbook." All this is already turning brother against brother and friend against friend as we have descended into a level of madness that can only be described as insanity.

I call upon your committee to consider the evidence carefully that our state needs to open up and get on with life, and that continuing the State of Emergency is against the rights we have to liberty, of speech, movement and association. I do believe there to be sinister reasons for the State government to wish to extend this State of Emergency, for such a long period, and I call upon your committee to prove that you have nothing to hide and let us all get back to normal again. (not "Covid normal" which is another one of these nauseating new phrases we keep hearing)

Please I ask you, on behalf of the health of all Queenslanders, stop this now.

Yours sincerely,

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