

**Online submissions to the Inquiry into the Termination of Pregnancy Bill 2018 – to view click on the following link:**

<http://www.parliament.qld.gov.au/documents/committees/HCDSDFVPC/2018/TerminationOfPregnancyB18/Online%20submissions.pdf>

### **Notes to users**

The Health, Communities, Disability Services and Domestic and Family Violence Committee has authorised the publication of online submission to the inquiry into the termination of Pregnancy Bill 2018 in the spreadsheet *Termination of Pregnancy Bill 2018 – Online submissions No 1-4223*.

Submitters who used the online platform were provided information about the Bill and asked to provide yes/no/undecided responses to six questions about key provisions:

1. *Do you agree that terminations should be lawful on request up to 22 weeks?*
2. *Do you agree that terminations should be lawful beyond 22 weeks with the agreement of two medical practitioners?*
3. *Do you agree that terminations beyond 22 weeks should be allowed in an emergency?*
4. *Do you agree with allowing a health practitioner to conscientiously object to the performance of a termination, except in emergencies?*
5. *Do you agree with the establishment of safe access zones within 150m of the entrance of termination service premises and associated penalties for prohibited conduct or restricted recording?*
6. *Do you agree with the proposed offences for unqualified persons who perform or assists with a termination?*

Submitters were also invited to give reasons for their responses, and to provide other comments in relation to the Bill. Submitters having difficulties using the platform were advised to submit their submission by email.

Each row of the spreadsheet represents an individual online submission. Submissions have been sorted into alphabetical order by the submitters' surnames. Submitters' responses to the questions display in the order of questions 1 to 6 above across two screens.

It is best viewed by downloading the document and choosing the 'two page' view. To setup the two page view, click on 'view' at the top of the screen, then click on 'page display' and 'two page view'.

The spreadsheet is fully searchable (right click on the mouse button and use 'find'), and the size of the text for viewing can be increased using + or – signs at the bottom of the screen.

The spreadsheet is designed to print on A3 size paper in 'landscape' mode. Because of the size of the spreadsheet, we do not recommend printing.

A large number of online submissions provided personal stories and experiences about pregnancies and terminations. The committee resolved to either not publish these online submissions or to remove the submitters' personal contact details prior to publication.

The committee did not accept duplicate submissions from the same submitter or submissions where the submitter failed to provide their name and the minimum required contact details.