



Committee Secretary
Health, Communities, Disability Services and Domestic and Family Violence Prevention Committee
Parliament House
George Street
BRISBANE QLD 4000

By email: health@parliament.qld.gov.au

Wednesday, 5 September 2018

Dear Committee Secretary,

Re: Termination of Pregnancy Bill 2018

The Australian College of Midwives thanks the Queensland Government for providing an opportunity to provide feedback on the Termination of Pregnancy Bill 2018 (<https://www.parliament.qld.gov.au/work-of-committees/committees/HCDSDFVPC/inquiries/current-inquiries/TerminationOfPregnancyB18>).

We would like to acknowledge the work that has been undertaken to address this issue and draft a bill that works for the best interests of the Queensland community.

The Australian College of Midwives position is that:

- Women have the right to choose and make informed decisions regarding termination of pregnancy;
- Women should be provided with access to appropriate service and care that supports their decisions;
- Access to services and care, should be provided in a safe environment at an appropriate time and location easily accessible to the woman.

Should you require any further information regarding this submission, please contact Ruth King, Midwifery Advisor on [REDACTED] or [REDACTED]

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Ann Kinnear', with a flourish at the end.

Ann Kinnear
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