

3 September 2018

Health Committee

Via e-mail

Dear Sir/Madam

## Please Vote Against "Termination of Pregnancy Bill 2018" ("Bill")

I write to request that you vote against the bringing of this abhorrent Bill into law in Queensland.

There are so many terrible proposals in this Bill that it is difficult to know where to start, but here are some of the issues:

- The Bill imposes restrictions on the constitutional right to free speech by proposing a "bubble zone" around clinics.
- The bill allows for abortion up until birth for any reason.
- The second doctor who needs to sign off on the procedure after 22 weeks need not see the woman requesting termination [Part 2, S6]
- The bill compels complicity from medical practitioners with a conscientious objection [Part 2, S8]
- The bill would allow for sex-selection abortion.
- The bill says nothing about informed consent women need to know the possible impacts, and what the process actually involves. This new law does not offer any penalties for clinics that do not follow proper informed consent recommendations.

Science confirms that a new life exists <u>at the moment of conception</u> so any law that permits the unrestricted act of abortion effectively condones murder of the unborn child.

I am happy to discuss this further via by mutual appointment.

Kind regards