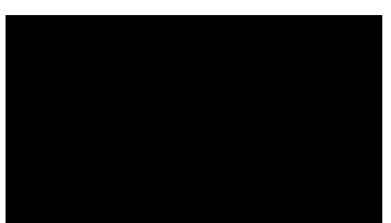
Termination of Pregnancy Bill 2018



Ewd: Re: Abortion law reform

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>> For our Parliamentarians, as stated, this will be "any intensely personal issue" because it could open the way for a business opportunity in this field of abortion.

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>> It is stated that "most women would already say the decision to terminate a pregnancy is the hardest choice they would ever make," and rightly so. This open opportunity to terminate a pregnancy up to 22 weeks gestation may well place many women in a lesser position of being able to resist the urging of other parties to go ahead with this procedure.

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>> The termination of a healthy pregnancy whether it be to the advanced stage of 22 weeks or not needs to be balanced with the moral responsibility to the defenceless unborn future citizen.

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>> Where we see incredible treatment/abuse of very young children leading to intensive suffering and death brought before the law courts, which certainly brings forward, as it states "those who truly believe in the sanctity of life from the moment of conception".

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>> Would it not be better for our Parliamentarians to find within their powers ways to support the pregnant woman to continue with the pregnancy for the further 18 weeks and then to endow a waiting woman who craves for a child she cannot have herself, to hold and nurture for life an adopted healthy loving child?

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>> The question is, how many good adult citizens are part of society and who were adopted as babies?

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>> As a retired registered nurse and midwife, I can tell the Parliamentarians who will hold in their hands the power of God over life and death and at 22 weeks gestation the foetus is fully formed and are known to have survived. For example, Courtney Stensrud and her husband call their fun-loving, spunky daughter a miracle. The now 3 year old girl was born at just 21 weeks and four days after conception. "She may be the most premature known survivor to date," according to a case report about her birth published in the journal Pediatrics.

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>> Another girl born just under 22 weeks, Amillia Taylor, weighing only 283 grams. Her prognosis is excellent. Austin Douglas, the miracle bundle defies the odds to survive at 22 weeks gestation and there are many more, so why would you want to abort or kill a foetus that has the potential to survive?

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>> The fact is that before 22 weeks the foetus is fully formed.

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>> What it states is perfectly correct. This will be an "intensely personal issue" so I trust that the government will seek and find an alternative for the respective pregnant woman rather than the terminating of a healthy and defenceless foetus.

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>> Would an alternative such as this provide Ms Palaszczuk with a better basis for what she may class as a "proud day"?

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>> My challenge is for the Parliamentarians, before they vote on this issue, to be required to stand in an operating theatre and each witness the abortion procedure of a living being's life being terminated, particularly the more advanced terminations being carried out so they would know exactly what they are, in fact, voting for.

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>> Under the existing laws the health issue is already addressed so that is a false justification for the Amendment allowing abortion on demand up to 22 weeks.

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>> "On demand" is way outside the classification of the health issue.

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>> Yours faithfully
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>> Christa Elliott
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