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I am a Paediatric nurse and have had firsthand experience of witnessing an infant left to die in a sluice room in a hospital ward following an abortion. The mother was never made aware that her infant survived!

Article 6 of the ICCPR (of which Australia is a member) states:” Every human being has the inherent right to life. The right shall be protected by law. No-one shall be arbitrarily deprived of Life” Should we not be compliant with UN International Rights Covenant?

Again, I have witnessed forms left at nurses stations for any doctor to sign to ensure procedure is carried out.

How can we ensure that proper informed consent recommendations are carried out and what measure will be taken on those facilities who do not follow recommendations?

Australia is a party to seven core international human right treaties. Under International Law the Right to Life must be respected at all times.

Premature babies are surviving at 22 weeks. These babies feel, move and are human long before this gestation.

It is no solution to take a life to help another. Both lives matter.

Please don't allow babies lives to be taken to satisfy the selfishness of those who purport to support and empower women.

This bill will do nothing but cause heartbreak for all concerned.

Queenslanders do not want this Bill and have said so in many Market Research Polls, the most recent 6-8 August 2018.

60% oppose mid-term abortion past 13 weeks.

75% agree abortion harms woman's health

We as Queenslanders do not want any change in the present legislation.

Please let Qld babies remain safe.

Thankyou.

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