

Late Term Abortion Bill Objection Tuesday, 4 September 2018 7:07:23 PM

I am writing to express my absolute horror and vehement objection to legalising abortion up until birth and I urge you to use your conscience vote and vote no on this issue. This will align you with the wishes of the public which in a recent YouGov Galaxy Poll (August 2018) 76% of Queenslanders oppose abortion after 23 weeks.

There are so many reasons why late term abortion bill presented by the Labour Government is wrong.

- --[if !supportLists]-->• <!--[endif]-->Babies have been known to survive birth at 22 weeks, to terminate a pregnancy this late or later constitutes murder. Many children are born early at this time and the heroic attempts of the medical staff should be applauded for being able to assist parents to keep their children. To be considering allowing abortion after this period speaks to just how selfish our society has become.
- --[if !supportLists]-->• <!--[endif]-->Sex selection abortion is absolutely wrong and should not be entertained. Instead, if the sex of the child was not suitable for the parents then the baby should be born and adopted out to the many people who are desperate for children in our society.
- --[if !supportLists]-->• <!--[endif]-->Women, who are extremely hormonal during pregnancy should not be able to choose abortion without considerable counselling, informed consent and a cooling off period. The idea that women making this decision can do so on a whim is ludicrous and does not value either the mother (who deserves to be counselled and supported) or the unborn child. Post abortive women are almost 6 times more likely to commit suicide than women who give birth (British Medical Journal, 1997, 313/7070/1431).
- --[if !supportLists]-->• <!--[endif]-->The physical risk on the mother should be considered , the risks include infection, infertility and breast cancer. We as a society should respect to our doctors who's Hippocratic oath has them pledge to do no harm. It is unfair that a doctor who might not feel comfortable completing such a procedure should have to, by law refer the mother to another practitioner. This act in itself is considered an accomplice act and would probably lead to depression for this doctors who feel strongly about the preservation of life.

I hope that I have made myself clear that this is a backward step for our Queensland society and if this bill is passed will only bring heartache and pain to the people of our state.

Vote NO!

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