



**Subject:**

Objections to the Termination of Pregnancy Bill 2018

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Dear Members of the Committee,

Labor's Termination of Pregnancy Bill 2018 would allow abortion past 22 weeks gestation until birth, even for social reasons (Part 2, 6(1) and Part 2, 6, (2)b).

It is shocking that the government is considering taking the lives of babies, some of whom are viable outside of the womb at 22 weeks gestation, even though the recognised point of viability in Australia is 23 weeks.

This extreme Bill allows abortion for the purpose of sex selection. One would think that those in the government who protest against gender discrimination would find this Bill totally abhorrent.

Labor's Termination of Pregnancy Bill 2018 is totally unnecessary, as abortion in Queensland is quite accessible. No woman has ever been convicted for having an abortion. Abortion needs to remain in the Criminal Code to serve as a deterrent and a serious moral reminder that as a result of abortion a human life is destroyed and a mother is harmed.

Sincerely,

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