From:

Health, Communities, Disability Services and Domestic and Family Violence Prevention Committee

Subject: Submission to Termination of Pregnancy Bill 2018

Date: Tuesday, 4 September 2018 11:19:50 PM

Dear Sir/Madam,

Being seriously disturbed by the horrifying, immoral 'Termination of Pregnancy Bill 2018', I write to express my strong objection.

If this Bill is passed, at a woman's 'request' (choice), without regard for the father's choice, an abortion could be performed.

No Health worker (Doctor, Nurse, Administrator or anyone else) should be compelled to be involved in the process if they conscientiously object. That is, there should be no expectation to 'refer on', assist in surgery or have any involvement in the intentional talking of a life.

Making abortion legal would put more demands on public hospitals and have taxpayers paying for more abortions than the already many thousands that currently occur each year in Queensland. In order to support a pregnant woman seeking a termination of pregnancy, I suggest free, independent counselling before an abortion appointment. The 'Termination of Pregnancy Bill 2018' is unnecessary as thousands and thousands of abortions happen in this State each year and are already easily accessible.

It is ethically unjust and simply wrong to take the life of another, especially a helpless, voiceless life, one that is ironically totally dependant on his or her Mother. (I won't even mention the many studies that show a negative impact on a mother as the result of abortion.)

Please give this Bill and our community careful, respectful and compassionate consideration in your recommendations.

Yours faithfully, Kay Skinner