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To: [Health, Communities, Disability Services and Domestic and Family Violence Prevention Committee](#)
Subject: Feedback on Termination of Pregnancy Bill 2018
Date: Wednesday, 5 September 2018 11:39:43 AM

Dear Sir / Madam,

I am a Queensland solicitor wishing to provide feedback on the Termination of Pregnancy Bill 2018.

I view this proposed legislation as both unnecessary and brutal for Queensland as:

1. Abortion is currently broadly accessible in Queensland;
2. Most abortions currently attract a Medicare rebate;
3. No woman who has had an abortion under the current law has been convicted;
4. The propaganda from the left side of politics is all about women's "choice", which ignores the rights of the most vulnerable members of society: unborn human beings, who cannot defend themselves. Doing to a born human being what is done to an embryo in abortion would invite widespread condemnation and criminal charges. Yet, this bill permits harming and killing a human being who cannot defend himself or herself in a womb at any stage of gestation, even until birth, for social reasons, e.g., sex selection.
5. Women who have wanted children but suffered miscarriages, as myself, can testify about the bonds they have felt with their unborn children very quickly after conception, feeling their children react / move inside their wombs, as well as their mourning by seeing their children's body parts come out in pieces in miscarriages. I cannot fathom how a bill can enable deliberate brutality against human beings who have every right to live but nobody to defend them.
6. Babies have been [REDACTED] from abortions in late-stage gestation and they have either been [REDACTED] or they have been [REDACTED] the abortion.
7. In this day and age, there are multiple forms of contraception that can prevent women who chose to not have children from getting pregnant in the first place. Women should have a choice as to whether or not they will have children, but this choice should be responsible and not override the children's right to live.
8. I am not satisfied that this bill allows absolute conscientious objection from the part of doctors.
9. I am also concerned about the 150-metre "safe access zones", which would effectively criminalise partners or relatives / friends of the pregnant women who try to persuade them against abortion.

Yours faithfully,

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