Subject: Please stand against the Abortion Law Reform Amendment Bill 2016 in its entirety

Please accept my submission to the enquiry:

I request the committee strongly vote against independent MP for Cairns, Rob Pyne's Abortion Law Reform Amendment Bill 2016.

This bill allows for abortion up until the day of birth and recognises no legal right of conscientious objection to permit doctors, nurses and other medical staff to opt-out of performing abortions.

After similar legislation was passed in Victoria in 2008, medical staff were left severely traumatised after being ordered to kill unborn babies by their employers. The following article, for instance, documents the case where a trainee was told to drop a still-living baby into a bucket of formaldehyde (http://www.theage.com.au/victoria/aborted-babies-being-left-to-die-20101006-167u0.html).

I therefore urge you to point out the horrific consequences of this bill to MPs in order to protect both babies and medical staff from these horrors of abortion.

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