

Dear Committee Members,

I am writing on behalf of both my husband Graham, & myself, to express our deep concern at the Abortion Law Reform Bill which you are currently considering.

We are totally against abortion even from the very early stages of gestation when after all a living child has been conceived.

From what we can gather this Bill would take away any & all reasons to prevent abortion, even up to the time of birth. That is unmitigated murder.

Even now, from the figures we have read, there are many thousands of abortions taking place every year in Queensland. Do we really want to increase the number??

Some would say that an abortion is there to “help” the poor woman who finds herself with an unplanned pregnancy. While this may seem to be a quick fix to the situation, in reality it causes more problems in the long term.

We do not believe that any woman can decide to terminate the baby growing in her womb without experiencing very mixed feelings: distress at what she is about to do, coupled with guilt & possibly even shame, & these often continue for many years resulting in post abortion trauma.

We have read articles which say that some women feel so guilty that they never completely get over this, & in fact become suicidal! More problems for the women & families concerned, & an even heavier drain on our already burdened Health System!

Then there is the high incidence of abortions which are not performed correctly resulting in admissions to hospital to fix the problems which have occurred such as the uterus being perforated.

No, for many reasons apart from the moral & ethical ones, abortion is totally wrong at any time & for any reason, with the possible exception of saving the life of the mother.

We do not believe in abortion for “social reasons” or just because a baby would be an inconvenience!

From what we have been told, it is far too easy to get an abortion even now.

We understand that all it takes are the signatures of two doctors to say that the mother would experience mental or physical trauma were the pregnancy to continue.

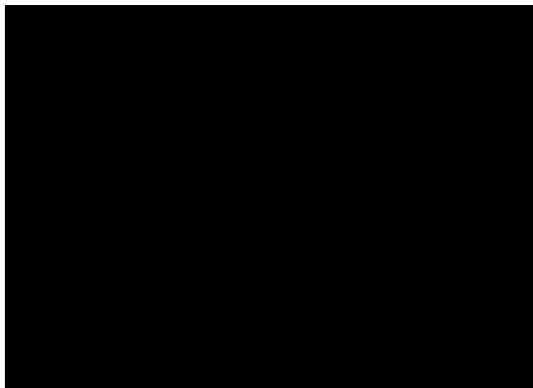
Despite Doctors taking the Hippocratic Oath, some are willing to aid in the abortion "racket" for purely financial reasons, rather than for any altruistic motive.

We ask that you, the Committee Members chosen to look into this matter, would carefully consider our views as given here.

Yours truly,



Muriel & Graham Slade.



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