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George Street

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Dear Committee Members

We wish to strongly oppose the "Abortion Law Reform (Woman's Right to Choose) Amendment Bill 2016" introduced by Rob Pyne, Member for Cairns. We earnestly ask you to oppose this bill now and when it should come for a vote in parliament.

As you know abortion is already widely available and sadly many mothers-to-be feel that they have no alternative due to pressure from one or many sources namely from partners, family, peers, economic reasons and even some doctors. We believe that were they given support and time to consider alternatives, many would choose to keep these innocent little human beings. There are many good organisations & individuals who can and would offer compassionate support to these mothers-to-be should they be aware of them. This is an area that should be given support and publicity by government, health departments and doctors. They could then make a more informed decision.

This stands in stark contrast to this proposed bill which removes all limitations on abortion even right up to birth, including by the brutal, barbaric partial-birth abortion. While these horrific late term abortions would be performed in abortion facilities at the same time premy babies of not much more than 20 weeks gestation are surviving and eventually thriving in maternity wards!

This proposed bill also contains no conscientious objection clauses or protections for medical professions, hospital worker and others that may be involved.

The culture of death, which this bill brings to its ultimate tragic end, can only hurt women, many of whom suffer deep trauma and sense of loss, then or later. Many

men, whether involved or not in the decision to abort this little son or daughter-to-be, also suffer from lost fatherhood.

For the sake of all our future Queenslanders, we can only support and vote for any person who does not support this bill.

Yours sincerely

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