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Hello,

My name is John Cook, I am a Queensland voter and my contact details are listed below.

I am writing to ask that the Abortion Law Reform Amendment Bill of 2016 which is under current consideration be rejected in full. Former pro-choice senator Amanda Vanstone once commented that "no one has the right to define when life begins based on their religious views" (this quotation is from memory and thus probably not word-for-word). I agree with the former senator, although my conclusions are different and I would expand on her statement: no one has the right to define when life begins for any reason. This is one reason why our criminal code must still prohibit abortion: because every human life is of equal value, regardless of the stage of that life, or the condition of the person. Just as we have no right to decide that people under the age of 4 are not truly human and can thus be aborted, so we do not have this right at any stage of life, from conception until it's natural end.

I hope that you will make a sensible, moral decision. My prayers are with you.

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