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Subject: Submission on abortion bill put forward by Cairns MP Rob Pyne
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Dear Parliamentary Committee Members

I consider the bill put forward by Rob Pyne to be both unnecessary and dangerous.

1. **Unnecessary** because the right to abortion already exists in Queensland where a medical practitioner certifies that the termination of the unborn child is necessary to prevent 'serious danger' to the physical or mental health of the mother and the unborn child is less than 22 weeks gestation. This law goes far enough. Already the life of the child rates behind the mother's physical or mental health.
2. Rob Pyne's bill is a **dangerous** threat to the lives of thousands more unborn children who will lose their lives year upon year (if the bill is passed into law) simply because they are unwanted by their mother, regardless of how many weeks gestation. It is illegal for a mother to kill her child after it is born for any reason, let alone because she doesn't 'want' the child. It is called infanticide or murder. How is it then that the killing of an unborn child, especially a child that is viable outside the womb, should be permitted by the law for such an appalling reason? If Parliament and the law of Queensland will not protect unborn children, who will?

Please reject Rob Pyne's bill which represents a callous disregard for the lives of those who are the most dependent and defenceless.

Thank you for considering my submission.

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