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Dear Parliamentary Committee,

As a Citizen of Queensland I am most concerned regarding the up coming submission of Mr. Rob Pyne MP from Cairns to call for changes to the present Abortion Laws.

Allowances in the present Law for those in exceptional circumstances are already in place.

The consideration of opening Reform to allow Women to Make their own Choice in my opinion is extremely dangerous. I would like to make the following points.

1. It appears that little regard has been taken of the Long Term effects on the Mother, emotionally and mentally. Many women who have terminated their child have regretted their actions and live with these consequences for the rest of their lives.

2. What of the rights of the unborn child who at a very early stage in conception is known as a human being feeling pain, and already has awareness of his/hers surroundings.

Who are we to take another Human Beings Life?

3. In my opinion where there are extreme situations where a woman cannot look after a child; there are many childless couples who long to have an opportunity to become parents. In fact I believe that there is a long waiting list for adoption.

4. It appears that some couples consider the child they have conceived as expendable. Are we so selfish as individuals that we take no responsibility for our actions?

5. Opening up the decriminalising of Abortion is having little regard for the overall effects on our society to maintain respect for life and the gift it is to us.

Thank you for the opportunity to give my point of view over this very important issue.

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