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To: the members of the committee

Rob Pyne's Abortion Bill – a matter of law

I wish to speak against the above bill.

In *The Courier Mail*, 9th June (this month) there was an article on refusal of bail for a woman named Jodie Renee Tamawskyj who has been held a prisoner for two full years without trial on the grounds that she may have killed her newborn son in a premeditated way. She has been charged with murder but the charge may be downgraded to manslaughter, as there appears to be insufficient evidence to show that she choked or smothered the child. However, there certainly appears to be a case against her for deliberate neglect.

How is her case different from a woman whose baby still has a month more to live inside her before being born in the normal time and the mother aborts the baby to kill it in a premeditated way? Any baby born a month before the anticipated due date, has to be considered a viable child. In the abortion bill now before parliament there is no gestation limit on how well developed a foetus can be before a criminal act has been committed through the destruction of the child's life through abortion.

In the USA the governor of Oklahoma signed a bill entitled *Humanity of the Unborn Child Act* into law on 6th June 2016. The act authorises the health department to develop a public information campaign about the developmental stages of a fetus and alternatives to abortion. The bill's message clearly states that any information distributed to the public "shall clearly and consistently teach that abortion kills a living human being." The Act will go into effect on 1st November.

As I understand it, both the LNP and Labor parties agreed to no changes to the present laws before the last election. Why is the State Parliament now considering it a legal right to have immunity from prosecution to be given to abortion providers and to profit from such acts of premeditated murder?

In the USA the largest abortion provider group has received substantial taxpayer money and in addition killed unborn babies in such a way as to sell body parts to the highest bidder. When this vile trade in body parts was exposed, the provider group had the 'whistle blowers' charged with crimes as if they themselves were innocent of any wrongdoing. Legalization of abortion is a slippery slope which doesn't stop at just murder.

Abortion is not the same as miscarriage. Abortion is premeditated. Do members of parliament want to be aiding and assisting in the slaughter of innocents? Although the law can make the premeditated murder of unborn babies 'legal' so that those involved won't be charged with any crime, at God's great judgment day all who even cheered on this proposal for murder through abortion will be held guilty and punished. Why? God holds all human life as sacred. Avoid innocent blood on your hands and vote against this poorly written piece of legislation. Thank you!

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