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Health, Communities, Disability Services and Domestic and Family Violence Prevention
Committee, Parliament House , George Street, Brisbane Qld 4000

Dear Committee members,

I write to express my strong opposition to any changes to the Queensland Criminal Code with regard to abortion.

It is not possible to have serious debate about this issue without addressing honestly the exact nature of abortion, its purpose and what it actually does to a small human being.

It is argued that abortion is just another medical procedure, like any other, and that a woman should therefore be free to do whatever she wants "with her own body". Both these arguments are false.

No other medical procedure requires the death of another human being to be successful. Furthermore, women (and men) are not free in any civilised society to do whatever they want. It depends on the chosen action, and it is precisely the proper task of elected lawmakers to decide which chosen actions are legally justifiable, and which are not, and to pass laws accordingly.

All criminal acts require the exercise of "choice", consequently the term "Women's right to Choose" makes no sense whatsoever in a legal context.

Numerous laws restrict the choices women make about what they do with their bodies - laws relating to alcohol or drug consumption, driving, trespass, behaviour in public, unacceptable language, for example, and there are no moves to make changes in these areas.

Nor is there any justification for changing the law to allow the deliberate and indiscriminate killing of human beings in their earliest stages of life for reasons which would never justify the killing of a child once she has taken her first breath.

Yours faithfully,

Peter Davidson