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My partner is a nurse/midwife who has been involved in supporting women make decisions around unplanned pregnancies. The chosen action may be to terminate the pregnancy. It is disturbing that we still have laws that make it a crime for a woman and her medical doctor to undertake an abortion. Whether it be by creed, colour, religion and race in Queensland the current legislation means the people involved face criminal sanctions. This is a terrible situation in this day and age. A woman should have the right and freedom of choice irrespective of circumstances to decide her course of action. This should be without fear or favour or incriminations.

Pro Choice is about supporting women and health professionals to take a course of action without the potential of legal actions affecting these decisions. I strongly urge the Queensland Government to repeal these laws and support women's choice.

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