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To: <u>abortionlawreform</u>
Subject: Abortion Bill

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To the Health, Communities, Disability Services and Domestic and Family Violence Prevention Committee of the Parliament of Queensland.

Regarding: Abortion Law Reform (Women's Right to Choose) Amendment Bill 2016 and Inquiry into laws governing termination of pregnancy in Queensland.

Honourable Members,

I write to oppose the Bill (as named above).

As a citizen of Queensland I am concerned as to the adverse effects that abortion is causing and the multiplied adverse effects it will cause if this bill is passed.

- Abortion takes no regard to the rights of the child who is aborted. As a society we should be protecting the most vulnerable in our society. Abortion is a betrayal of their rights.
- 2. Abortion puts the medical staff who perform it in a moral dilemma. Are them to protect life (as they have sworn to do) or to take it? Are they to comply with others wishes and harden their hearts to the suffering of the baby or are they to go with their feelings of humanity? As we have seen lately not all babies who are aborted are delivered lifeless (that is, torn in pieces or burnt to death by chemicals). Do they stand by and watch the baby die a sad and lonely death or do they care for it? (Not to mention the reports we have heard of quickening its death in callous disregard for its rights.)
- 3. Abortion puts the mother (and father too) in a moral quandary. Are they to harden their hearts to the little one they have brought into this world? Can they do this and not have pangs of guilt and possibly endure mental suffering afterwards? If any can do this they must have a very calloused conscience.

We as a society pride ourselves on our humanity. How possibly can we claim to be humane yet allow such inhumanity to occur year after year in our society?

Some say that it is the mother's body but too the body and the life of the baby is at stake.

Some say it should be the choice of the mother. But she has to bear responsibility for her choices. Abortion is a negation of that responsibility.

I appeal to the committee to protect the most vulnerable in our society, the unborn, and recommend the rejection of this bill.

More than that, I call upon parliament to undo the laws that have placed these unborn in jeopardy all these years.

Yours Faithfully,

Peter Smith

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