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

Dear Committee

Re: Abortion Law Reform (Women's Right to Choose) Amendment Bill 2016

I am very concerned about reports to possibly change the abortion laws in Queensland. I am writing to ask you to oppose Rob Pyne's bill.

I am a father of a child with a disability. We need to embrace difference and families need to be offered support and hope. Babies are gifts of life, and how we treat our most vulnerable says a lot about our society. Killing is never the best solution to a problem – it is the lack of seeking a solution. Abortion, especially of late-term babies, is a violent and destructive act. I would challenge you to research how Partial-Birth abortions are conducted, it is very disturbing, and more of these occur when there is no protection for the unborn.

Also this Bill does not consider the rights of the father, only the women's "right to choose". Please, we need to remember that there are 2 people involved in creating a new life, and both wherever possible need to be considered re their responsibilities and rights. Current practices already allow for abortion if the mother's life or health is threatened, and adoption needs to be more openly discussed as a reasonable alternative in order to provide hope, life and avoid the trauma often associated with abortion.

Please oppose Rob Pyne's bill, as it is removing safeguards for vulnerable babies and families that need support and hope.

Yours faithfully,

Evan Caswell