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Subject: Re: Abortion Law Reform (Women's Right to Choose) Amendment Bill 2016.
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Submission to The Parliamentary Committee Overseeing the
Proposed Bill to Change the Law in Queensland in Regard to
Abortion

Dear Sir/Madam,

I write as a concerned citizen and medical practitioner regarding the above
Bill, introduced by Mr Rob Pyne, MP for Cairns on the 10 May 2016, which
is to be discussed by your Parliamentary Committee in due course.

The Bill seeks to decriminalize abortion by removing it from the Queensland
Criminal Code, thereby changing the Abortion Laws as they currently stand
in this state, effectively creating an 'Abortion on Demand' situation.

This great country of ours has in place laws which safe guard its citizens

from Discrimination, Violence, Abuse and Cruelty of any kind. How is it then that we protect iconic structures such as the Great Barrier Reef, our Waterways, our land with its unique animal and bird species, we decry Domestic Violence against Women and Children and Cruelty to Animals? And yet we are “blinded’ to the fact that Abortion is the most egregious **Act of Discrimination and Child Abuse** ever perpetrated on the Defenceless, Innocent and Unborn Children who are the Future Generations of this country. We deny them the Right to Life-the most basic of all human rights and on which is predicated our Democracy, our Community, our Society and the Family which is the basic Unit of any Society.

Abortion DISCRIMINATES against the unborn in terms of

a) Size.

b) Location-**the most dangerous place in the world is a Mother’s Womb.**

c) Opportunity-the child is denied the Right to Life and the opportunities that come with a full and fulfilled Life.

d) Potential- **the Unborn is a Human Being with Potential, NOT, a Potential Human Being.** Ultrasound 4D Scan Technology confirms the child is Human as does Reproductive Chorionic Villous Sampling Technology.

e) Appearance ,Age and Development.

Abortion is VIOLENCE against women. Research has shown that in many cases, women are affected negatively, psychologically, emotionally, mentally and physically often life-long.

How is it then that we can potentially legislate and pass a law which is intrinsically discriminatory?? The Law, if passed, will allow the destruction of Human Life just before the birth of the infant but NOT after the birth of the child, which if it occurs, will be deemed murder and subject to prosecution. Does this make sense??

Allow me to draw the Committee’s attention to the fact that approximately 14,000 children are aborted in Queensland every year with a total of approximately 80,000 in Australia annually (Medicare figures which don’t include chemical abortion). If this were the carnage on our roads annually, there would be Royal Commissions, meetings and discussions to address

the problem forthwith with clamouring for safer roads and cars and greater policing. This is not happening in terms of Abortion. Society's attitude-"out of sight, out of mind". In my mind, Discrimination at its worst, indifference at its best. Neither serve the interests of the child, family or society. The sad paradox in all of this is that each one of those "unwanted" children could have been ADOPTED by 15-20% of Infertile Couples who cannot achieve a pregnancy naturally and who often spend large amounts of money on expensive IVF technologies with poor success rates resulting in emotional and psychological trauma to the devastated couple. Let's promote ADOPTION not ABORTION. I'm not for one moment saying that it would be easy for a woman to carry a child for 9 months, give birth to it and then give it away but surely, giving your child life and then 'gifting' it away to an infertile couple must surely be preferable to aborting it.

Also, a Question on Notice (No 779) put to the Health Minister Cameron Dick by Dr Mark Robinson, Member for Cleveland, on the 11 May, 2016, revealed that, in 2015, 27 babies were left to die after failed attempts at abortion in the latter half of pregnancy. This is one baby every 2 weeks. How can this be allowed or condoned in a country such as ours which believes in the principle of a "fair go" for all ??

This submission has been supported by some 300 signatures of concerned residents of the Callide Electorate of Mr Jeff Seeney who has been asked to table the petitions on my/our behalf.

In conclusion, I respectfully request that, after due deliberation and discussion, the Bill is resoundingly rejected by the Committee.