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To: <u>abortionlawreform</u>

Subject: Please reject the Abortion Law Reform Amendment Bill

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Dear Committee Members,

I would strongly urge you to strenuously recommend the rejection of this barbaric bill.

I, like the majority of Queenslanders, find the scenarios that this bill allows abhorrent. If a baby is born prematurely at 30 weeks gestation and then if one week later someone were to bash its head in with a cricket bat, the community would be horrified and the person responsible would be prosecuted for one of the most heinous crimes. If this bill were to pass, another baby of 31 weeks gestation (the same age) could have its skull crushed by a doctor and its body thrown in a rubbish bin and that would be perfectly OK. This bill should be treated in the same way as a bill submitted to legalise random murder or rape as it is morally equivalent. I doubt such a bill would even see a committee.

At a time when the community as a whole (including younger people) are becoming more and more aware of the harmful impacts of abortion and are becoming ever more supportive of limiting and discouraging it, I find it sad that some politicians are still pursuing radical policies of a bygone era.

An unplanned pregnancy can be very difficult and traumatic. The mother, and often the father, need as much support as possible at such a time, not just funnelled to a money making "clinic" to be exploited.

Regards,

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