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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 wish to advise that I am very much opposed to the Bill introduced by Mr Rob Pyne for a number of reasons including the following:

- . This bill does not consider the rights of the father, just women's "right to choose". Existing practices already allow for abortion if the mother's life or health is threatened.
- . The Universal Declaration of Human Rights – Article 3 declares, "Everyone has the Right to Life". International Convention on the Rights of the Child reads, "The child by reason of his physical and mental immaturity, needs special safeguards and care, including appropriate legal protection, before as well as after birth."
- . This bill appears to be a copy of Victoria and Tasmania where a baby can be aborted for social or economic reasons with no limits on gestation phase
- . Rights of conscientious objection with problems having occurred in Victoria. Drs have been brought before their registration bodies for refusing to send women to abortuaries. Already in Queensland the horror of babies born alive after abortions has been shown by the Q and A programme recently. Babies born alive must be resuscitated like any other newborn.

I trust you will give my submission your utmost consideration.

Yours faithfully

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