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Dear Committee

Please block this bill to legalise abortion in Queensland.

Abortion is a horrendous procedure that involves killing and chopping an unborn child into small pieces.

I recommend looking at some pictures of abortion, as this is what you are being asked to legalise. Pictures reveal the evil of it more than words can describe.

No civilized society permits one human to intentionally harm or take the life of another human without punishment, and abortion is no different.

The babies killed in abortions are live human beings by definition as they have human DNA, and are alive.

Human life begins at conception. That is when your life began. The scientific evidence is that at conception, a new entity comes into existence which is

distinctly human, alive, and an individual organism - a living, and fully human, being.

This tiny human being has a right to live as all human beings do.

Consider that a baby's heart starts beating at around 4 weeks, which is earlier than abortions are performed. So all abortions are performed on babies with beating hearts.

Unborn babies can also feel pain as evidenced by their attempts to move away from the abortionists during the procedure.

If a mother kills her own child in Qld, under current laws she will be sentenced to prison and this is just.

Why should the unborn child be treated differently just because it is younger, and inside its mother's womb?

Unborn babies are the most fragile members of our society and killing them should not be sanctioned. Abortion is a horrendous crime.

Abortion laws need to be made more strict and enforced, not more

relaxed.

We need to be promoting the value of human life, especially the very youngest. We need to be funding better support systems for pregnant women who are likely to

consider this dangerous procedure. Adoption is a vastly superior alternative to abortion for unwanted babies and accomplishes

the same result.

What about the mother's mental health?

Women who have abortions are 6 times more likely to commit suicide than those who don't:

http://www.theunchoice.com/suicide.htm

A major study showed that abortion causes long term depression in women.An average of eight yeas after their abortions, married women were 138 percent more likely to be at high risk of clinical depression compared to similar women who carried their unintended first pregnancies to term.

http://afterabortion.org/2002/abortion-clinical-depression-linkedin-major-study/

If you are concerned about women's health with strict laws, consider studies such as this which prove that banning abortion has positive effect on women's health:

http://www.lifenews.com/2012/05/17/study-proves-banningabortion-doesnt-hurt-womens- health/

It's true that a mother has the right to have a medical procedure on her own body. However, abortions are not performed on her body, but on the body of her unborn child. Babies in the womb have different DNA, blood types and immune systems than their mothers, and their circulatory systems are carefully separated by design.

This disproves the claim that what is involved in abortion is merely "a woman and her body".

A woman never has the right to kill her own child, no matter how young it is.

The majority of Queenslanders are religious people who regard abortion as morally wrong. You must stand up for what is morally right, rather than bend to the pressure of the noisy minority.

Please carefully consider this: If you are involved in allowing abortion in Qld, you will be held accountable before God for all the deaths of innocent babies that occur as a result. I pray that you will vote against this bill and do what is right and have a clear conscience before God.

Yours sincerely Mrs Carolyn Whittington