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To: [Abortion Bill](#)
Subject: Submission - Health (Abortion Law Reform) Amendment Bill and Abortion Law Reform (Woman's Right to Choose) Amendment Bill
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To whom it may concern,

I'm writing to voice my support for the decriminalisation of abortion in Queensland, and the repeal of sections 224, 225 and 226 from our 1899 Criminal Code.

Abortion is an incredibly personal decision made between a person with a uterus and that person's health professionals, and the current status of the law stigmatises, punishes, and prevents the people faced with such a decision from accessing safe and supportive care, particularly those in rural areas.

I believe that the proposed reforms laid out in this new bill will address the Committee's concerns with a straight repeal of our Criminal Code statutes.

To that end, I support the Health (Abortion Law Reform) Amendment Bill, in conjunction with the Abortion Law Reform (Woman's Right to Choose) Amendment Bill.

In addition, I urge the Committee to recommend that both bills are debated and voted on together as a package on the floor of parliament, to reflect the intent of the two pieces of legislation.

Regards,

Jessica Bigg