

Termination of Pregnancy (Live Births) Amendment Bill 2024

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Submission: GENERAL I support the Termination of Pregnancy (Live Births) Amendment Bill 2024 because:”. Every newborn has the right for all measures to be taken to keep them alive. It is essential that every action possible is taken to medically assess the newborns likelihood of surviving, and to provide all possible intervention for their life or palliative care if life is unsustainable. Though, it would be better if an abortion was not done in the first place, any child born alive because of a failed abortion procedure should have the same level of medical care and treatment as any other newborn child. That is basic humanity. As a signatory to the UN Convention of Rights of the child, Australia has committed to every child having the right to life which includes every newborn having access to health care and reducing newborn mortality. Therefore, babies born alive from failed abortion procedures have this basic human right for life and life saving measures. Just the same as any newborn should inherently have. It is unfortunate that Australia is in a position that needs to have this bill but it does to protect the vulnerable who cannot protect themselves. SPECIFIC AREAS. The objections to amendment to this bill that it is “unnecessary” are not accurate and there needs to be more awareness of factual reasons why this Bill is essential.

Support for Termination of Pregnancy (Live Births) Amendment Bill 2024 is essential because: •Live births do occur after abortion and without this Bill those babies are left to die. This is infanticide at birth. •Research has shown that some babies with foetal abnormalities survive birth and therefore are alive and the same measures should be taken for these newborns no matter whether their birth is from abortion or not. •Is essential due to current abortion legislations. Especially with inclusion of late term abortions. a. any other related matter. This amendment is essential as it draws attention to the fact that late term abortion can result in a live viable baby being born. The rights of these newborn need to be covered by legislation. Awareness of these live births need to be made more known to the general population. Not hidden away.