

## Termination of Pregnancy (Live Births) Amendment Bill 2024

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Dear Member of Parliament, my name is [REDACTED] and I live in Brisbane and work as a healthcare practitioner.

I have worked with many patients who experience both acute and chronic pain and I believe that one of our human dignities is relief of physical suffering by alleviating pain. I have also been taught from most current clinical practice guidelines that studies have shown that pain can be felt from 28 weeks gestation. Thus, alleviation of physical suffering is amongst my Hippocratic oath to do no harm as a healthcare professional. It is one of my core values that protecting the most vulnerable among us is a responsibility of our civil society and thus expected of the Government of which I vote for and vote for.

Should this legislation not pass, I would find the Government to be in breach of its responsibility to wield its power to protect the most vulnerable of our society.

As such, I strongly urge the committee overseeing this legislation to commend and pass it in Parliament to uphold this value to model and demonstrate the dignity upon which we bestow the most vulnerable members of our society.

Sincerely, [REDACTED]  
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