

Termination of Pregnancy (Live Births) Amendment Bill 2024

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My name is Anthony Morris. I live in Albany Creek, Moreton Shire. Health care should be provided to babies who are born alive because to deny care to any struggling human being in any situation is indefensible. They are human beings, the same as anyone else - we have an obligation as civilized, evolved creatures to care for and protect them. To leave them to die because of some perception they're not wanted or because of some political expedient is, literally, in a civilized society, obscene.

A society is civilized and evolved, to the extent that it protects its most vulnerable. It is the responsibility of government in a civilized society such as ours to ensure this protection is guaranteed for all. These children must be protected in the same way as any other human being should be. The government must ensure this. The notion that any human being, whatever the circumstances of their birth, does not deserve protection, is wrong. A government that supports that notion does not reflect the kind of humane society we should be working towards. It is, in fact, diametrically the opposite of humane. It is inhumane in every sense. Human beings - children born alive - will be abandoned. The ramifications of not abandoning this legislation really are as fundamentally obscene as that. The government has an opportunity not to participate in such an obscenity.

I urge the committee to recommend the Parliament abandon this legislation.

Sincerely, Anthony Morris

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