

Termination of Pregnancy (Live Births) Amendment Bill 2024

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Public Submission by GREGORY O'KEEFE.

Hello. My name is Greg O'Keefe and I live in a small town, Greenmount, on the Darling Downs in Queensland.

I am a private Educational Consultant.

It is essential that babies born alive after, or during an abortion be cared for as are any other babies delivered. All babies, the most vulnerable in our society, deserve the right to receive the best medical care possible regardless of their type of birth.

To do less, is not only extremely inhumane but is discriminatory in every sense.

The protection of all life, be it a new-born, an aged person, people with a disability or any other person is the most important job of governments.

If our government does not protect us who will?

The government failing to act to

protect the lives of all babies born, regardless of circumstances, is not only extremely negligent and inhumane, but sets a precedent that could lead to decisions about the 'worth' of human life in other contexts being seen as negotiable dependent on the law-makers of the day.

The issue is one of the sanctity of life regardless of circumstances.

I recommend, in the strongest of terms, that the government pass this legislation to protect babies born after or during an abortion.

Governments failing to do this have not in the past, not at present received my support, backing or vote and nor will they in the future.

Human life at every stage is precious, and worthy of our sustained efforts to protect, nurture, celebrate and love at all costs. These things are non-negotiable.

Sincerely, GREGORY O'KEEFE

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