

# Public Health and Other Legislation (Extension of Expiring Provisions) Amendment Bill 2020

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**This submission is addressed to:**

Committee Secretary  
Health and Environment Committee  
Parliament House  
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**This submission is from:**

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**Firstly**

As a sovereign citizen residing in the State of Queensland, I fundamentally make my submission based on the freedoms enshrined in the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Australia which guarantees our rights to be free of any sort of civil conscription [Quick & Garran; *The Annotated Constitution of the Australian Commonwealth*; 51; xxiiiA]. As a public servant you have an obligation to uphold the Constitution, so I do not consent to the proposal.

**Secondly**

As a scientist, I find what we have undergone by way of the loss of civil liberties these past months, incredulous. When politicians order citizens around based on “medical evidence” when none is forthcoming, it is not good governance.

I am still waiting to see a peer-reviewed research paper which shares with the scientific community the structure of the virus according to Koch’s Postulates. To that end, statements in the media following a press release, that a “new more contagious strain” exists, is also not based on the gold standard of scientific research we demand of health officials.

The Queensland government states that transparent government is its guaranteed standard. Therefore, the chief medical officer needs to provide the people with references to the research which underpins the advice she gives to government so that the citizens can be assured that the public health directives are made on a sound scientific basis.

In conclusion I thank you for considering my submission. I note that the current provision expired on December 31<sup>st</sup> so current directives have no legislative basis, and I repeat: I do not consent to any extension of executive powers to deal with a purported “public health emergency” which has a casualty rate consistent with an annual influenza epidemic.

Yours sincerely,

