

Submission into the Voluntary Assisted Dying Bill 2021

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I wish to ask that voluntary assisted dying bill be brought in .

I have watched my father suffer and die of cancer . Two weeks in a coma but still screaming in pain when they turned him . I witnessed my grandfather dying , grandmother snd friends .

Where is the dignity snd quality of life . My father believed in quality not quantity . He would have been so ashamed knowing he had no control of his bodily functions.

People in so much pain that nothing can free them . BUT if they were an animal we would be fined for mistreating them. Where is the compassion and human understanding of these people whom are suffering .

Allow them to consent when they have a sound mind and to acknowledge thst when the quality and dignity have gone and the pain or disease takes over the body you should be allowed to say enough please .

This bill is for the genuine people who are diagnosed with a terminal illness , not for the ones that think life is too hard or I cannot handle my pain .

Thus is also for the families that have a family member permanently disabled and cannot get out of bed anymore and slowly deteriorating every day . The person that is in a nursing home thst has no faculties at all . Cannot speak , move or feed themselves . They are actually a shell and no one inside . No family visits . The cost to have these people in our homes and no one that cares and they are not even there . It is hard on the nurses to feed them , shower snd care for them .

We are human beings that should be allowed to have dignity and quality of life and if this is no longer a ability we should have the choice to choose .