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**To:** Health and Environment Committee  
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Re: Submission to the Health Committee

Dear Health Committee Members,

I am strongly opposed to the voluntary assisted dying Bill. This is a very dangerous Bill. Once this door is opened it will only lead to greater and greater vulnerabilities. Palliative care needs to be improved, not offer assisted suicide to those who are already in a vulnerable state. Opening the door to euthanasia and assisted suicide will only lead to wrongful deaths due to many possible scenarios such as wrong diagnosis, wrong prognosis, coercion, elder abuse, untreated mental anguish. Terminally ill patients may feel their is no other choice or this is the choice they are supposed to make. Medical and nursing associations are opposed to euthanasia. We should be striving for quality healthcare and palliative care.

Sincerely,  
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