From:

Tuesday, 15 June 2021 9:08 PM

To: Health and Environment Committee

Subject: Submission to the Health Committee

Re: Submission to the Health Committee

Dear Health Committee Members,

I am opposed to the introduction of legislation which allow for euthanasia in Queensland. The experience of countries which have introduced such laws is that the criteria for access to assisted suicide are progressively widened.

I am particularly opposed to the idea of requiring that hospitals and health systems which value human life and do not condone euthanasia will be obliged to participate in it through because they will be required to make referrals despite their conscientious objections.

Euthanasia laws should not be contemplated while we have widely acknowledged under funding of palliative care.

Sincerely, Owen Hitchings

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