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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Monday, 7 June 2021 4:39 PM  
**To:** Health and Environment Committee  
**Subject:** Euthanasia

Re: Euthanasia

Dear Health and Environment Committee,

I note with concern that the Queensland Government wants to make it easier and quicker for anyone to access assisted suicide – even over the phone, as I am advised.

What has happened to the sanctity of life? Or giving people hope? Or supporting them with quality palliative care? Surely these matters are more important than the so-called benefits of assisted dying.

This Bill would have family members or friends jailed for promising to care for their loved one who is contemplating ending their life. It is beyond the pale and I urge you to reject this terrible Bill.

In last Saturday's edition of THE WEEKEND AUSTRALIAN, on page 19, there was a very interesting article by 2 eminent Doctors entitled "It's not up to you : autonomy no argument for euthanasia" and the article went on to say "The vast majority of deaths in Australia are peaceful, yet a few ""bad deaths"" drive legislation". I read the article and it reinforced my view that it would be wrong for this bill to be passed and urge you not to support it. It is interesting that these eminent Doctors state "While some doctors support PAS/E, hardly any palliative care specialists do, as they know that with expertise almost everyone can be well cared for."

The article concluded with "Like coronavirus, PAS/E shouldn't be allowed to spread further:."

I urge you to oppose this bill

Sincerely,  
David Magraith

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