

Submission into the Voluntary Assisted Dying Bill 2021

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To the committee charged with
the consideration of the
“Voluntary Assisted Dying Bill
2021”

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With regard to the “Voluntary Assisted Dying Bill 2021”, I submit that this is disgusting immoral legislation, and I consider it appalling that it should even be on the agenda of parliament.

This bill shows and supports both ignorance of essential facts, and supports lying and deceit. It also shows a lack of support for doctors, medical staff and others who cannot according to the conscience God has placed in every person agree with the substance of this bill and who believe they should in no wise assist in this matter.

In a recent “Australia Talks” survey the majority of those polled regarded politicians as deceitful and 94% of those surveyed believed Politicians who lie should resign. On the basis of public opinion if nothing else the politicians who put forward this bill and those who drafted it should hang their heads in shame and resign on mass. This bill is proof positive that those politicians and those who wrote this bill had every intention of deceit, as they did with the Abortion bill of making lying legal for that which they wished to impose on the Queensland residents and tax payers.

Annabel Crabb States:

“Australia is struggling with a political confidence crisis, Australia Talks has revealed.

More than half of us think that corruption is commonplace. We don't trust our politicians to do the right thing by us. And while we're strongly of the view that they should resign if they lie, the data has revealed we're also resigned to the likelihood that they will lie, and they'll probably get away with it.”

I am old enough to remember when applying for a job required three character references but clearly today politicians can get a job running this country without any serious moral qualifications.

The average Queenslanders who has a job or business and is seriously contributing to the progress and upkeep of this state does not have time to be constantly checking up on what our politicians are up to. If they took the time out from work to do so, I believe our politicians would be out of a job, because they would have to be held to account and the state would be broke.

While it would take some time to work through all the things in this bill that are abhorrent, I will highlight some of the basic issues.

The bill speaks of people being eligible to choose to die at their own hand or to have someone kill them. God in His sixth Commandment forbids murder. While God does appoint the death penalty for Blasphemy (contempt for God, His ways, and His laws, such as is seen in this bill), sexual perversion, and murder, the whole idea of the death penalty is that it is for those who are guilty before God and deserve punishment! Life and death are God's jurisdiction.

Then in the legislation we have in this bill we have this statement:

“(ii) protect vulnerable persons from coercion and exploitation;”

That is hardly the case with this bill!!!

Section 11:3 clearly shows that the opportunity is there for persons to be murdered without proper understanding of what they are doing. I see nothing in this bill that would stop family members and others from coercing and urging the dying to make bad decisions.

“(a) to give persons who are suffering and dying, and who meet eligibility criteria, the option of requesting medical assistance to end their lives;”

For someone to fully understand what dying this way entails they need to be provided with the relevant facts, that:

1. That God forbids murder and by this death they are showing contempt for God who created them and who made this law.

2. After death comes Judgement:

^{KJV} Hebrews 9:27 And as it is appointed unto men once to die, but after this the judgment: (Hebrews 9:27 KJV)

3. Proponents of this bill speak of the idea of people dying to escape suffering, however after death there is either eternal life with God or there is eternal punishment in Hell.

And these shall go away into everlasting punishment: but the righteous into life eternal. (Matthew 25:46 KJV)

Those only are righteous whom God makes righteous, through what Jesus Christ did on the cross.

3. Jesus made it perfectly clear :

¹³ Enter ye in at the strait gate: for wide is the gate, and broad is the way, that leadeth to destruction, and many there be which go in thereat:

¹⁴ Because strait is the gate, and narrow is the way, which leadeth unto life, and few there be that find it. (Matthew 7:13-14 KJV)

Few people escape hell. People go to hell because of the sin within them that tells them they don't need God. They can make their own decisions. People generally do not want God in their knowledge. (Romans 1:28) People want to play at being God, and they make out that God is someone like them and they would let themselves get away with anything.

The question is why would anyone want to go to hell. Why would anyone want their loved one to go there. Going from suffering, that may last a few short years to going to suffering that will last for ever. I in no way wish to suggest that for some, their suffering may not be agonisingly horrific. It is not something to wish on anybody but it is real, and so is hell.

Rather instead of ignorance, what people who are suffering need is that LOVE be shown to them. Not the deceit that there is no hell.

As Dr. Alon Jones put it in his submission:

“Let us not send them a grim reaper to slay, but an angel to save.”

True love can ease the pain of suffering and the sharing of the Gospel of Jesus Christ may well bring a person suffering in this life to rest from

suffering and to know the peace that passes understanding in this life and after this life.

There is nothing in this bill that indicates that from the Government's perspective people will be given all the information required to make an informed decision because this bill is designed to make lying legal and clearly does not want people to know God who is truth.

People go to hell.

“(b) to establish a lawful process for eligible persons to exercise that option;

That which so totally disregards God, his laws and his ways can never truly be regarded as legal no matter what laws men make and those who make such laws will have God to answer to.

“(c) to establish safeguards to.

(i) ensure voluntary assisted dying is accessed only by persons who have been assessed to be eligible;”

When people are not provided with the whole truth of what lies beyond death they are by no means “eligible.”

“(ii) **protect vulnerable persons from coercion and exploitation;**

and

(d) to provide legal protection for health practitioners who choose to assist, **or not to assist**, persons to exercise the option of ending their lives in accordance with this Act;”

Those health practitioners who choose to assist are protected by the lies this bill supports and seeks to make legal, but those who know the truth and choose not to assist because they wish people to be properly informed, wanting people to have the best experience possible in this life and the next are forced to recommend someone who will assist. Such doctors, medical staff and others are NOT afforded the same protection.

“(f) a person should be supported in making **informed**

decisions about end of life choices;” There is nothing in this bill that all people seeking the option the bill proposes will be properly informed about life After death.

“**Voluntary assisted dying not suicide.**” This is a lie.

For the purposes of the law of the State, and for the purposes of a contract, deed or other instrument entered into in the State or governed by the law of the State, a person who dies as the result of the self-administration or administration of a voluntary assisted dying substance in accordance with this”

“(a) **does not die by suicide;**” This is a lie.

“(b) is taken to have died from the disease, illness or medical condition mentioned in section 10(1)(a) from which the person suffered.” **This also is a lie. They died from poisoning and this should be truthfully declared on the death certificate with the name of the poisons concerned and the dosage along with the name of the person who assists in the death!!!)**

Remember that the recent “Australia talks” pole by the ABC stated that many people regarded politicians as corrupt. This bill is evidence that backs that opinion.

“Decision-making capacity

(1) A person has decision-making capacity in relation to voluntary assisted dying if the person is capable of—

(a) understanding the nature and effect of decisions about access to voluntary assisted dying; and

For a person to understand the nature and effect of such a decision they need to understand and accept the truth that Hell involves eternal torment. Torment that never ends after this life.

The Bill speaks of

“Consulting practitioner to have completed approved training.

The consulting practitioner must not begin the consulting assessment unless the practitioner has completed the approved training.”

Clearly if this bill is anything to go by the training given to the consulting Practitioner will not include training in the abhorrence of this practice, of God and his laws and the danger that lies ahead after death. If such a one did properly understand these facts they would not want people subjected to what is ahead of them.

This legislation requires forced acceptance of this bill by all citizens despite it's lies and the fact that we are supposed to live in a democracy and there is no indication that a properly worded referendum will take place.

The following scripture is very relevant to this bill.

^{KJV} Revelation 21:8 But the fearful, and unbelieving, and the abominable, and murderers, and [REDACTED] and sorcerers, and idolaters, and all liars, shall have their part in the lake which burneth with fire and brimstone: which is the second death. (Revelation 21:8 KJV)