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The Health Committee has a vital duty – to pass the Voluntary Assisted Dying Bill without delay.

So many Australians have died avoidable hideous deaths because of poor legislation preventing medical staff from taking compassionate and longed-for action to assist them when death was inevitable and strongly desired.

It is time to rectify this horrible situation and I look to the Health Committee to do their bit.

It is important that the **draft VAD Bill be passed without amendments and immediately.**

Queenslanders who live in remote areas should be given every consideration. It is imperative that **doctors be able to communicate via electronic means with other doctors and their patients about Voluntary Assisted Dying** so that all Queenslanders have fair access to VAD.

**People who live in their own homes in a Queensland Retirement Home must have the right to access VAD in their own home.**

This legislation is long overdue for enactment. The long continued debate has shown the feelings of Queenslanders – we expect the VAD Bill to pass, unamended.

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