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Sent: Monday, 28 June 2021 8:54 PM
To: Health and Environment Committee
Subject: I oppose the "Voluntary Assisted Dying" Bill

Re: I oppose the "Voluntary Assisted Dying" Bill

Dear Health Committee Members,

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I am extremely concerned by the proposed "Voluntary Assisted Dying" Bill!

I am a Christian minister of religion in a small outback church in Charleville, Qld.

Last Friday I buried a man who had been diagnosed with terminal cancer five years ago. At the initial diagnosis, doctors advised him he had about six months to live. He made significant changes to his diet and reprioritised his life focuses. His changes and belief & hope in God enabled him to live four & half years more than Doctors expected. In this time he was able to walk his eldest daughter down the isle, see his youngest sons graduate high school, tidy up business assets to provide for his family and see his family unit grow together and become much more supportive.

I firmly believe all of these wonderful outcomes could have been robbed from this family & many others in our community, if the above bill was passed and people in the shock of a terminal diagnosis chose to end their life!

In my role of pastorally supporting people through tough times, I endeavour to encourage people to look for Hope beyond their current situation. I actively talk to people about making positive longterm decisions to help their futures & that of their families. I am extremely alarmed that this bill, if passed could criminalise my role and cause me to spend time prison!

My wife and I have supported & spoken to a number of young and mature aged people over the years, who have contemplated & even attempted suicide. Our previous situations may have qualified us as criminals under this proposed Bill.

I believe most, if not all the people that make up our community would find the details of this Bill repulsive. I believe this Bill & it's proposed agendas must be discarded & abolished because they directly contradict the values our community & nation was founded on and they will undermined our future.

Please make your recommendations with the long term consequences in mind.

Yours Faithfully,
Sam Fromm

Sincerely,
Sam Fromm

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