

Health and Environment Committee

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To: Health and Environment Committee
Subject: I oppose the "Voluntary Assisted Dying" Bill

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Re: I oppose the "Voluntary Assisted Dying" Bill

Dear Health Committee Members,

We wish to convey our concern about the upcoming Euthanasia Bill. We believe it to be unfair and dangerous. For starters, Queensland has a woeful palliative care system particularly in regional areas. Queenslanders have a right to high quality palliative care should they need it without having to resort to VAD. Queensland has already one of the highest suicide rates in Australia. If this Bill is passed it will blow out of all proportion as did the Abortion up to Birth Bill in 2018. Suicide will definitely not be halved by 2026 as forecast by the Labor Party.

There are other reasons I could put forward such as the many associations who are opposed to VAD with many valid considerations. We would urge you not to support this Bill as it is basically unfair and dangerous with too many loopholes such as when is it "voluntary" and when is it "forced" and who decides in the end?

We would ask you to give this matter your careful consideration.

Yours sincerely
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Sincerely,
Loretta Eppich

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