

**Health and Environment Committee**

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Re: I oppose the "Voluntary Assisted Dying" Bill

Dear Health Committee Members,

I do not believe it is the jurisdiction of the government to assist people to commit suicide. The right to life and death is in the hands of God.

You may think you are being compassionate but you are intervening in areas you have no right to meddle.

Like a child who wants to help a butterfly break out of it's cocoon and so helps tear the cocoon open. In the process the butterfly is too weak to live. The struggle makes the butterfly strong.

This mortal life is not the beginning and it is not the end.

Do NOT interfere.

Now on to your Euthanasia Bill.

1. Do you realise how the bill in its current form could be used against the ill and elderly? Unscrupulous children or benefactors could influence the person to pursue euthanasia. You are removing all safeguards that protect the person from being railroaded.

2. Why do you even need to threaten a person with a jail term just for trying to talk someone out of taking their life?

Please, please, please do NOT go ahead with this Bill. There are consequences for your actions you will regret.

Sincerely,  
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