

**Health and Environment Committee**

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I am writing to inform you of my support for the proposed VAD legislation.

I currently have a friend in palliative care in the Wesley Hospital. He is terminally ill with cancer of the Liver and Esophagus.

He was diagnosed about 15 months ago. In recent months and currently, he suffers bouts of extreme pain despite being cared for by some of the best doctors in the country. He is now being fed via a tube down his throat, he is bleeding internally and due to Covid, cannot accept visits from friends like myself.

At this stage, he wants to continue living but If I was in his position I would not. I would want the ability to call time and go peacefully.

Please pass this vital legislation.

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