

**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,

Dear Queensland Parliament Health Committee,

I write in response to oppose the voluntary assisted dying bill. I believe that every life matters even when there seems to be no hope, I don't believe it is up to us to decide when a life must come to an end. The fact that the patient doesn't even have to be examined by a specialist at any stage of their illness to determine euthanasia could instigate too many unnecessary deaths.

If the Bill is passed then doctors against euthanasia will still be forced to refer patients for euthanasia. Imagine all the psychological problems doctors could face for years afterwards if they have been a part of ending a patient's life?

So many people who struggle with mental health instead of getting checked by a psychiatrist would now have easy access to assisted suicide because once the bill is passed there is no requirement for a mental health check.

Then trying to talk someone out of assisted suicide could imprission you for up to 7 years. When has it ever been a crime to try and help someone?

Please consider how important life is, how much the passing of this bill could effect people in a very negative way.

Sincerely,

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