From: Sent: To: Subject: Rebecca Sferco Friday, 4 February 2022 2:09 PM Mental Health Select Committee Qld Mental Health Bill

To whom it may concern,

I am a very concerned Citizen and have lost family members and close friends in the Qld Mental Health Facilities. Therefore I am urging the following amendments be made to the Qld Mental Health Bill. I am also trained in Public Health. I did a degree in Health Science in Public Health at QUT and was in the elite top 10%. I have worked in Health and Mental Health in WA for over 20 years now. Mental health needs to be brought out of the dark ages of barbaric torturous treatments and become more humane and protect those most vulnerable in the community. I therefore request the below actions are take:

- 1. The *Qld Mental Health Act* is amended to ban electroshock, restraint, seclusion and dramatically increase criminal fines and prison terms for ill-treatment of a patient.
- 2. Involuntary detainment and treatment is eliminated per the World Health Organisation's guidance.
- 3. Every death in the mental health system is investigated for criminal culpability and negligence and any mis-conduct involving prescription practices is also reported to police for criminal investigation.
- 4. Existing money is re-directed to proven workable solutions that do not harm and money is only given to organisations that are held fully accountable and are actually producing results.

Thank you for your time and attention.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs. Rebecca Sferco

