

The Queensland Government’s Abortion Bill

The following is from the latest email to arrive from Cherish Life Queensland regarding the State Government’s acceptance of the recommendations of the hand-picked Queensland Law Reform Commission to adopt its Draft Termination of Pregnancy Bill 2018. A parliamentary vote is scheduled for the parliamentary sitting week of 16 October. You can visit Cherish Life at www.cherishlife.org.au

The Queensland Labor Government’s Termination of Pregnancy Bill is extremely brutal and must be stopped.

If passed, the Bill would legalise abortion for any reason up to 22 weeks gestation and including sex-selection abortion, then abortion to birth for “social reasons”.

The Bill is even worse than the Pyne Bills of 2016 and is modelled on the Victorian abortion law, which is one most inhumane in the Western world.

Here’s a comparison of the three:

Queensland Government Termination of Pregnancy Bill 2018	Pyne Bills 2016 - Abortion Law Reform (Woman’s Right to Choose) Amendment Bill 2016 & Health (Abortion Law Reform) Amendment Bill 2016 – moved by Independent MP Mr Rob Pyne in 2016 and withdrawn in February 2017 because it was evident that they would have been defeated if put to a vote in the Queensland Parliament	Victorian abortion law: Abortion Law Reform Act 2008
Abortion for any reason up to 22 weeks gestation	Abortion for any reason up to 24 weeks gestation	Abortion for any reason up to 24 weeks gestation
Sex-selective abortion legal	Sex-selective abortion legal	Sex-selective abortion legal

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<p>Doctors with conscientious objection must refer for abortion, or to another doctor who will help the woman with her abortion request, and therefore be complicit in the outcome of an abortion.</p>	<p>Full conscientious objection provision for doctors and nurses.</p>	<p>Doctors with conscientious objection must refer for abortion, or to another doctor who will help the woman with her abortion request, and therefore be complicit in the outcome of an abortion.</p>
<p>Abortions to be performed at taxpayer-funded public hospitals and therefore free.</p>	<p>Abortions to be performed at taxpayer-funded public hospitals and therefore free.</p>	<p>Abortions to be performed at taxpayer-funded public hospitals and therefore free.</p>
<p>No protections for women considering an abortion – no independent counselling, informed consent conditions or cooling-off periods</p>	<p>No protections for women considering an abortion – no independent counselling, informed consent conditions or cooling-off periods</p>	<p>No protections for women considering an abortion – no independent counselling, informed consent conditions or cooling-off periods</p>
<p>150 metre bubble</p>	<p>50 metre bubble zone</p>	<p>150 metre bubble</p>

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Here's what you can do to help stop this atrocity:

Sign a petition online at <https://www.parliament.qld.gov.au/work-of-assembly/petitions/petition-details?id=2972>

If you do not have access to a computer, please make your thoughts known to your local Member of Parliament by putting pen to paper. And of course, continue to pray that such wickedness will not pass the laws of our parliament. It is bad enough now that some 14,000 abortions are already performed in Queensland each year. This is equivalent to two classrooms of children being murdered in Queensland every working day. These new laws will absolutely lead to more murders being committed.