

Submission to the Joint Select Committee on End of Life Choices

RE: Inquiry into the need for laws in Western Australia to allow citizens to make informed choices regarding their own end of life choices.

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General Position

No legislative change should be made to Western Australian law to allow for assisted suicide/ euthanasia. Instead more funding should be allocated to extending and improving palliative care for terminally ill patients.

Reasoning

- A) A change in law would expose vulnerable patients to the danger of prematurely ending their life contrary to their own wishes.
- B) Legislation that is created to allow assisted suicide only in unique and tightly controlled circumstances is always susceptible to expansion, beyond what is in the best interests of society.

I wish to appear before the Committee to present my case.

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