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Attention: Principal Research Officer  
Joint Select Committee on End of Life Choices  
Legislative Assembly  
Parliament House  
PERTH WA 6000

Good Morning,

I am a registered nurse with many years' experience in palliative care nursing people with a terminal illness.

I am against euthanasia having seen firsthand people who are dying. That intimate period in a person's life where time with family and friends to talk, remain silent or just cry together is an integral component of end-of-life and like birth is a natural, often painful and not always easy path.

I have seen people depressed talking about taking their lives because at the time it is unbearable to be followed by periods of peace and calm. It is not unusual for people with a life limiting illness to swing between highs and lows but I have witnessed as people draw closer to the end they often are more peaceful and want that time to spend with loved ones.

Don't bring in euthanasia allow people the last journey in life they will make without cutting it short.

Yours Sincerely,

Jenny Costigan