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Dear Committee Members,

I wish to advise that I strongly object to End of Life Choices . I offer the following in my submission:

- God is the author of life and he has the right to give and take life. Governments have no right nor authority to over rule his Law. Thou Shalt not Kill applies to Euthanasia and Suicide. Once man or governments decide on who can live or die, then there is no limit to what can be done or to whom it can be done.
- End of Life Choices presents a risk to vulnerable patients who will lose their right to live without consent.
- End of Life Choices is not controllable, limits Healthcare and will ultimately result in many involuntary deaths.
- Assisted-Killing forces vulnerable patients into prematurely killing themselves.
- Choice is an illusion, it will lead to abuse of care for the elderly, disabled and those suffering mental illness.
- Medical Care is about providing better care services to patients and that there is no medical care in deliberately killing patients, End of Life Choices will turn doctors into executioners.
- There have been cases both in countries abroad (Belgium, Netherlands) and even including Australian citizens, where the patient was not suffering a terminal illness and took their own life.
- It will cause unbearable suffering to many families who lose loved ones to involuntary killing and Doctor-Assisted Suicide.
- Glamorization of Suicide.
- End of Life Choices will devalue disabled persons by determining their right to live, judging them on what they can and can't do

Thank you for considering my submission

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