

From: Lesley Cunningham [REDACTED]
Sent: Saturday, 8 August 2015 4:08 PM
To: LSIC
Subject: Fwd: End of Life Choices.

Lesley Cunningham

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From: Lesley Cunningham [REDACTED]
Date: 31 July 2015 8:41:36 pm AEST
To: lsic@parliament.vic.gov.au
Subject: End of Life Choices.

I have spent all day laboriously writing you a letter, which has disappeared into the bowels of this iPad and I cannot retrieve it. So this will be very short. The same thing may happen

Again. Moore than ever I want to die. I implore you to ring me on [REDACTED] Lesley Cunningham.

Briefly, in case the iPad swallows this too.

I am 90, female, no children entirely alone. My dearest friend, with whom I shared the last 60 years of life, died two years ago.

To add to my misery, a new disease of old age. "macular degeneration" has struck me. For

four years now I have been unable to drive and am entirely dependent on others as I gradually go blind.

I did not know it was possible to feel so miserable and still live!

The only friends and relatives I have, live interstate

I would like to tell you about some aspects of my current life. and hope you will ring me.

What are your suggestions.?

I don't care for hanging, or gas ovens, or tall buildings or poisons

I think it is disgraceful that I should have to lie awake night after night trying to work out how best to dispose of myself, primarily because some fearful and superstitious Politicians has the power of life and death. It should be my choice and mine alone. And

at least 75% of Australians agree.

Please forgive my inadequate old age typing. I can scarcely see the key pad!

Sincerely, Lesley Cunningham

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Most people have a Funeral Service. I am not. Why? Simply because there is no one left to come! I am now aged 90 and have no friends or family in this

State. No children. Two years ago my dearest friend, with whom I shared 60 years of my life, died.

My life is entirely solitary, and utterly miserable. Unfortunately I am computer illiterate, a terrible mistake.

Even though my bones ache and most of my body is worn out, I would probably have still wished to live if only I could see! About four years ago, the old age complaint of "macular degeneration" affected me. Gradually I am losing my sight. No longer able to drive - I am entirely dependent on others

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Lesley Cunningham