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TO THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL'S LEGAL & SOCIAL ISSUES COMMITTEE

FROM: KEN TURNER

I would like to submit my personal history over the last 2 years for your consideration.

I am 84 years of age, live alone and have no family or relatives.

I was diagnosed with a tumour on my lower spine which has since migrated to a lung, the vertebrae has been held together with metal scaffolding, the tumour has since renewed even after radiation treatment.

The prognosis for the future is grim, perhaps being a paraplegic with a lack of control of my bodily functions, and increasing amounts of pain-killing drugs, and my accommodation in a nursing home.

I realise we all have a time to live, and a time to die, and would like the opportunity to have a peaceful finish via euthanasia when I believe the time is right.

I see no point socially or economically in prolonging my life beyond a certain stage.

Trust this will assist in your deliberations

Yours faithfully

Ken Turner