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I am strongly opposed to euthanasia, and I am fearful of any attempts to legislate in favour of the practice.

I would like to reiterate the line of Susan Ryan, Federal Age Discrimination Commissioner who has said that while she supports voluntary euthanasia as a principle, from doing her job, she recognizes the immense difficulty of drafting legislation which will allow safeguards to be maintained.

In many countries where euthanasia has been legalized, they have gone down the path of involuntary euthanasia, such as the Netherlands.

Obviously I favour compassionate health care such as palliative care for those that are dying, and re awakening centres for those in a comatose state.

To me this seems far more constructive, than terminating the life of an individual which for millenia has been regarded as murder.

The Australian Medical Association which represents most of the health care professionals in this country, has always opposed voluntary euthanasia.

Most doctors do not believe it is the solution to difficult situations at the end of one's life.

Please I urge you to consider these things.

Finally the line on a car sticker, "KILL PAIN, NOT PATIENTS"