

Inquiry into the Government's response to the Covid-19 pandemic

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Submission:

To Whom it may concern,

I wish to express my concerns regarding the Government's continued mishandling of COVID-19 over the past 7 months. Several thousand Victorians have already expressed their concerns and opposition to the new Omnibus Bill, only to learn the modified bill was passed this week in Parliament by Government, rather than being thrown out altogether.

The 2nd wave has been a direct reflection of the mismanagement of the hotel quarantine, causing 800 and growing number of deaths, yet we the Victorian people are being held to account. 7 months on, we have no clearer understanding of how the virus will be managed other than further destroying our economy and causing distress to Victorians. The re-submission of the Omnibus bill provides the Government with extreme and unnecessary powers which are contrary to the constitution and show a complete disregard for the very people the Government have been tasked to serve.

If we look to the other states, 95% of the deaths have been attributed to Victoria. They are not mandated to wear masks (which have been proven to cause greater harm to the wearer), they are free to move about their borders, hospitality is open for business, they are able to interact in their communities, which is a clear sign our Government are failing in their basic duties.

What we also know is the majority of the people affected are in aged care. The incubation period is 14 days, stage 4 restrictions have been in place since late June and the Government are throwing money away, instead of focusing on the areas which are most vulnerable.

I am becoming extremely disappointed and more disillusioned by the day at the actions of this Government and will continue advocating for the rights of the community to ensure at some point this Government is held to account for the wrongdoings and harm it has imposed and continuing to cause to the good people of Victoria.

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