

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

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Submission:

The Victorian Chief Health Officer was reported as saying on Tuesday July 28th 2020 that the Victorian Charter Of Human Rights and Responsibilities meant if a person was prevented from leaving home to do exercise it was the same as them being incarcerated and incarceration was not possible under the state of emergency health orders requiring quarantine. This would allow a person awaiting a covid test or covid positive and told to quarantine to leave home to exercise even though told they were not allowed to. Not being allowed to leave home while awaiting a test or in quarantine is consistent with Peninsula Health Documentation provided when I was tested (and subsequently negative). If a person that has been told to quarantine leaves for gentle exercise, they must wear a mask, if it is vigorous exercise, they do not have to wear a mask. Does all this mean an infectious person may go for a run, spray covid around the community and not be in breach of Government quarantine requirements that cannot be enforced. If this is the case does it mean those held in hotel quarantine in Victoria and not allowed outside to exercise had their Victorian Human Rights Beached? Where are the human rights of average Victorian who want those that could be or are Covid positive isolated to protect the rest of the community and provide basic the human rights of a safe and healthy community? If this is all true then the Government mandated restrictions have no force and are a disgusting joke endangering the lives of many many Victorian. If this interpretation is wrong did the Victorian Chiel Health officer mislead the community and endanger the community by providing dangerously wrong information? The Victorian Opposition Parties have been apparently silent on this issue. Has the Government and Opposition Parties all been promoting false and unenforceable information about having to quarantine? If it is not possible to enforce quarantine, why have laws not been changed to give substance to the published and advertised requirement to quarantine and not leave home/hotel quarantine?

Do you have any additional comments or suggestions?:

The Premier, Health Minister, Attorney General, Opposition Leader, Shadow Health Minister, Shadow Attorney General and Victorian Chief Health Officer should all be called and asked when they knew of this loop hole, if it is the case, ad why they continued to promote unenforceable quarantine rather taking/promoting actions to make quarantine legally enforceable.

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