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My submission to the Scrutiny of Acts and Regulations Committee (SARC)

It is my will that any current legislation related to the No Jab No Play campaign be repealed and that any future legislation related to coerced vaccination through remuneration, discrimination or legal compulsion be abandoned.

The No Jab No Play bill is in breach of the Victorian Charter of Human Rights and Responsibilities Section 10, which states that people must not be subjected to medical treatment without their full and informed consent. When a person is coerced into medical treatment by financial blackmail, which is what is proposed in the No Jab No Play legislation, then the person no longer gives their full consent.

This type of legislation is contrary to both Australian and International Law. Our Constitution expressly prohibits civil conscription in order to receive welfare or childcare benefits - section 51, 23A. This legislation is also contrary to international human rights laws to which Australia is a signatory. Article 6, sect 1 of the Universal Declaration of Bioethics and Human Rights states that any preventative, diagnostic and/or therapeutic medical intervention is only to be carried out with the prior, free and informed consent of the person concerned, based on adequate information. This consent cannot be coerced out of an individual by way of financial blackmail. Informed consent is also written into the Australian government's vaccine handbook and clearly states "For consent to be legally valid, the following elements must be present: It must be given voluntarily, in the absence of undue pressure, coercion or manipulation." Some parents will need to leave their jobs if they can no longer afford childcare or be forced to vaccinate their children (against their will) in order to keep their jobs. This is not informed consent and this is illegal. To impose this legislation, not only breeches human decency, but also Australian Informed Consent Laws and The Australian Constitution which guarantees Australians political, medical and religious freedom.

I understand that several parliamentarians who support this bill do so in the belief that the supposed health benefit of wide spread vaccination in our community outweighs our human rights, as addressed above. However, I urge these parliamentarians to properly educate themselves about the real and serious risks of vaccines, including serious injury and death. Vaccine injury is much more common than has been reported in the mainstream press and has destroyed the lives of many children. To take this risk when vaccinating a child, the parent or caregiver MUST be in a position to give their full and informed consent, without bribery of coercion of any form by the state.

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