

I support the bill that proposes to remove limits on the Northern Territory legislating in relation to voluntary assisted dying and other matters. I also support the proposal to repeal the *Euthanasia Laws Act 1997* which is preventing the territories from introducing VAD.

I believe that citizens of the territories should have the same rights as those who live in the states. It makes no sense that people from some states have the ability to access humane end of life options, while those that live in the territories cannot, only because they live in the territories.

People from the territories should have the same ability to vote on issues that affect them as other Australians do. Territorians must be allowed to govern themselves democratically as the rest of Australia does.

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