Social Services Legislation Amendment (Cashless Debit Card) Bill 2017 Submission 1

Dear sir,

I am writing to express my deepest concerns about the cashless welfare card and how it will affect me I feel that as a person on a disability support pension this card will restrict my ability to not only be no longer able to pay me rent I will be prohibited from buying the normal day to day items I normally buy I do not smoke nor do I rely drink and I would be forced onto this card along with everyone else this card will and is already affecting my health I have been sick with worry it has given me headaches and my blood pressure has rose way past what my doctor has said is safe I can not concentrate properly on things it will be of such a hardship to me I will not be able to do most things anymore I will not be able to buy things on the small 20% that it states I would get in cash that will not pay for my car registration or my phone/internet bill or my other bills all of which are not covered by the card you are trying to force on us it will also affect small bushiness in Bundaberg I have spoken to many and they have said they will not be accepting the card so how are we supposed to live on the small amount of money we have been lied to by our mp Mr Keith Pitt he has stated that most people in Bundaberg want the card introduced when in fact most do not as every one I have spoken to have said No we do not want it most small business do not want it the majority of citizens in Bundaberg do not want it I do not want it so why are we being forced to accept the card this is not right and we are getting it seems like punished for the actions of a very small minority of people we do not deserve this it is affecting my health and sanity over the worry of this card I implore you do not I repeat do not roll out this card do not force it on us .

Yours sincerely