



Committee Secretary
Senate Standing Committee on Legal and Constitutional Affairs
Department of the Senate
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Dear Sirs,

**RE: RIGHTS OF THE TERMINALLY ILL (EUTHANASIA LAWS REPEAL)
BILL 2008**

I urge the members of the Senate Standing Committee to approve the above Bill.

The laws of our country generally accept that all Australians have equal rights and responsibilities. It is draconian to make exceptions of those citizens living in the Territories. Many of these citizens are in the employ of the Federal Government and yet they are treated as somehow incompetent to make their own laws.

It seems outrageous to me that if I happen to live in a place that was long ago awarded Statehood, I have certain rights that would be denied me if I happen to live within an Australian Territory – we do not, OR SHOULD NOT, have second-class citizens in the Australia of the 21st century!

This is a situation that must be corrected by our Federal Government, in line with other important issues that have just recently been properly addressed. Please give all Australians a fair go, and vote in favour of the Rights of the Terminally Ill (Euthanasia Laws Repeal) Bill 2008.

Yours faithfully,

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