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Legal and Constitutional, Committee (SEN)

Subject:

Euthanasia Laws Repeal Bill (2008)

We submit to the Senate Stnding C'tee Inquiry into the Rights of the Terminally Ill(Euthanasia Laws Repeal Bill 2008) our strong support of this bill, which would return into effect the Northern Territory RIGHTS OF THE TERMINALLY ILL ACT 1955.

This would enable the ACT, Northern Teritory and Norfolk Island to make laws to give mentally capable people who are terminally ill the right to choose a peaceful death with medical assistance.

There would be no compulsion for those not seeking this right to do so- so they personally would not be affected by this law. Those with religious convictions opposed to these laws should have no right to impose their views on citizens of this secular country.

Experience in other jurisdictions proves that appropriate safeguard provisions can ensure their proper administration.

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