

Submission to the Senate Committee inquiring into the Rights of the Terminally Ill  
(Euthanasia Laws Repeal) Bill 2008

All State and Territory COTAs were asked to draw up a policy on voluntary euthanasia (VE) to be considered by the National Policy Council. If/when VE becomes part of the COTA agenda, COTA NT and COTA ACT would be disadvantaged because of the passage of the Euthanasia Laws Bill which affects only the territories.

Senator Brown's bill would redress this discrimination and return first-class citizenship status to the people who choose to live in the territories; therefore we strongly support the passage of this bill.

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