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**From:** John Baker  
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**To:** Legal and Constitutional, Committee (SEN)  
**Subject:** Submission to the Inquiry into Rights of the Terminally Ill (Euthanasia Laws Repeal) Bill 2008

**For Legal and Constitutional Committee of the Parliament of Australia**

We would like to express our strong support for Senator Brown's Bill for an Act to repeal the Euthanasia Laws Act 1997 (Rights of the Terminally Ill Bill 2008)

We have over the past year seen a very dear friend die a painful, demeaning and unpleasant death despite being cared for in a so-called specialist palliative care centre.

We both feel very strongly that mentally competent adults should be able to seek assistance to end their lives when faced with a terminal illness which is likely to very significantly degrade their quality of life.

We therefore strongly support Senator Brown's bill.

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