

Michelle LANDRY MP Federal Member for Capricornia Working hard for Capricornia



Ref# 20220302

Date - 3rd March 2022

The Hon. Annastacia Palaszczuk Premier and Minister for the Olympics 1 William Street Brisbane QLD 4000 Via email: <u>thepremier@premiers.qld.gov.au</u>

Dear Premier,

I'm writing to you regarding vaccine mandates that are affecting small businesses in my electorate of Capricornia.

Last year the Queensland Government announced that almost all people throughout Queensland must be fully vaccinated by December 17, 2021. This means non-vaccinated people have been banned from pubs, clubs, restaurants, and most non-essential indoor and outdoor venues.

While vaccination remains the safest and most important means for Australians to protect themselves and their loved ones from COVID-19, 1 cannot support the Queensland Government's mandates that are hurting small business and community organisations.

Just this week, I have been contacted by a range of businesses and community organisations that are at breaking point. These small businesses have already felt the effects of lockdowns, capacity restrictions, and workforce shortages and are really feeling the brunt of vaccine mandates. Tourist operators are having to turn unvaccinated customers away as their business is considered a 'tourism experience'. Now we have agricultural shows across Queensland having to cancel as they are not able to hold an inclusive show for all patrons, regardless of their vaccination status.

Queensland has passed the 90% fully vaccinated rate so I'm politely asking you and the Queensland Government to end the vaccine mandates imposed on small business and community organisations.



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Please contact my office via michelle.landry.mp@aph.gov.au or 07 4922 6604 if you require any additional information.

Michelle Landry MP Federal Member for Capricornia

Kind regards, CTPI - Personal Information

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	Policy
Subject:	PRIORITY MAIL - TF/22/5413: URGENT LETTER - Michelle Landry MP - objecting to
	continued vaccination mandates
Attachments:	20220302 - Premier Palaszczuk - Vaccine Mandates.pdf

Good morning

Please find attached correspondence from Michelle Landry MP objecting to continued vaccination mandates.

Due to the urgency, I have allocated the attached direct to Law and justice Policy to draft an urgent response, due to PO 11 March 2022.

This has been added to the ECU watch list.

Please note this timeframe is subject to change.

Yours sincerely



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Dear Premier Palaszczuk,

Please see the attached letter regarding the current Queensland Vaccination mandates.

Kind Regards Michelle Landry

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Federal Member for Kennedy HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

4 March 2022

The Hon Annastacia Palaszczuk The Premier of Queensland 1 William Street Brisbane QLD 4000 Email: thepremier@premiers.gld.gov.au

Dear Premier,

Re: Devastating affect of COVID vaccine mandates on businesses

We bring to your attention the devastating affects that COVID vaccine mandates are having on businesses in the Kennedy electorate. Our office has been inundated with businesses expressing frustration and concern over the public health directives.

Our Party was founded on the fundamental principle of freedom. People should not be discriminated against, or denied access to their communities, based on a health choice.

Business owners should not be forced to make the difficult decision to discriminate against their staff and customers or face hefty fines and forced closure by police.

We have had multiple businesses in our electorate close for good as they will not discriminate against customers, or their staff based on their health choice. We have had multiple businesses close due to large losses of customers who respect their individual privacy and will not show vaccination status.

Running a business in regional and rural Australia is already difficult. Business owners must deal with a variety of extra issues such as crime in the area, low population, and worker shortages. Adding draconian health directives is the final nail in the coffin for many.

With the majority of the Kennedy electorate being rural, the closure of businesses is a major issue. Not only does it compound the unemployment rate, but it also leaves even less services and recreation on offer for constituents.

The rules have created a risk of a two-tier society, incited division and undermining the good faith of Queenslanders who have already been vaccinated and those who are still considering their decision.

Business owners have been caught in the crossfire and many will not promote the segregation of the vaccinated from the unvaccinated, creating a lose situation for all involved, business owners, employees, vaccinated or unvaccinated customers.

We believe a middle ground that rejects discrimination and segregation but also protects Queenslanders from uncontrolled virus transmission is achievable.

Minister, we urge you to drop the mandates to avoid any further business closures and discrimination against the

people of Queensland CTPI - Personal Information

Hon Bob Katter MP Federal Member for Kennedy

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	Policy
Subject:	PRIORITY MAIL - TF/22/5491: URGENT LETTER - Bob Katter MP - opposing vaccine
	mandates
Attachments:	2022.03.04.Mandatesaffectbusinesses.pdf

Good afternoon

Please find attached correspondence from Bob Katter MP opposing vaccine mandates.

Due to the urgency, I have allocated the attached direct to Law and Justice Policy to draft an urgent response, due to PO 15 March 2022.

This has been added to the ECU watch list.

Please note this timeframe is subject to change.

Yours sincerely



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Subject: PRIOR TY - orrespondence from Hon Bob Katter MP - Affect of mandates on businesses

Good afternoon,

Please see the attached correspondence from the Hon Bob Katter MP for the Queensland Premier regarding the affect of mandates on local businesses.

Kind regards,

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For information on Bob Katter's role in the 44th Parliament click here: <u>http://www.bobkatter.com.au/your-member/44th-</u>parliament-a-retrospective-.html

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Senator GERARD RENNICK

LNP Senator for Queensland

The Hon Annastacia Palaszczuk MP Premier of Queensland PO Box 15185 CITY EAST QLD 4002

24 March 2022

Dear Premier,

RE: Public Health Emergency Extension

I write regarding the recent extension of the Public Health Emergency powers to the Chief Health Officer here in Queensland.

I'd like to ask what is the health advice that justifies this further extension of emergency powers considering it's now been two years since the pandemic began.

Under the National Plan, you and other state and territory leaders agreed to get the nation to 80 percent vaccination and then open up. This target has been exceeded in Queensland with over 90 percent of the state now fully vaccinated. Furthermore, Queensland has already made it through the peak of our covid wave and, with the exception of your cruel mandates and discrimination measures, life is continuing as normal. Why then, do the emergency powers need to be extended?

There is no justification to classify Covid-19 as a pandemic considering these factors. Almost everyone in the state has either had the vaccine or Covid. Moreover, there has been next to no difference in health outcomes for either the unvaccinated or vaccinated, other than an unprecedented number of vaccine injuries.

The Health Emergency measures have served their purpose. It's now time for us to go back to the freedom of our pre-pandemic lives and let Covid-19 become endemic as was always inevitable.

Yours sincerely,

Gerard Rennick LNP Senator for Queensland

CC: Yvette D'Ath Minister for Health

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Subject:	PRIORITY MAIL - TF/22/6872: URGENT LETTER - Senator Gerard Rennick - objecting
	to the extension of the Public Health Emergency powers to Queensland's Chief
	Health Officer
Attachments:	20220324_Rennick to Palaszczuk re Emergency Powers.pdf

Good afternoon

Please find attached correspondence from Senator Gerard Rennick objecting to the extension of the Public Health Emergency powers to Queensland's Chief Health Officer.

Due to the urgency, I have allocated the attached direct to Law and Justice Policy to draft an urgent response, due to PO 31 March 2022.

This has been added to the ECU watch list.

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Yours sincerely



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Dear Premier's office,

On behalf of Senator Gerard Rennick, please receive attached correspondence to the Hon Annastacia Palaszczuk MP, Premier of Queensland.

FYI Minister D'Ath's office.

Kind regards, CTPI - P

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Subject:	Updated cross-jurisdictional comparisons - mask wearing and vaccination requirements
Attachments:	image009.png; Jurisdictional comparison - mask-wearing and vaccination requirements.docx
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Hi Cameron

Further to our discussion (and my previous email) please see the updated jurisdiction comparison in relation to masks and restrictions on unvaccinated people.

The key differences from what you have seen from our previous scans is that NSW and VIC have relaxed their mask wearing requirements broadly (as we are to do ours shortly), other jurisdictions still retain mask-wearing requirements similar to Qld's current measures.

With regard to vaccination requirements, they still apply in most settings in Qld, Vic, WA and NT, but not in NSW, ACT, SA and Tas.

I have also gone back to QH to query whether the CHO has a different view on restrictions following the severe weather events.



Rebecca McGarrity PSM

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Jurisdictional comparison – Mask wearing (as at 2 March 2022)

Public health measure	QLD*	NSW	VIC	ACT	SA	WA	NT*	TAS
Mask wearing								
 Vulnerable settings 	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	V (\sim
 At airports and on flights 	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	1	\checkmark	1	- A	
Other specified settings					1			1
- Indoor workplaces/offices	\checkmark	X	X	X	X			~
- Hospitality venues	\checkmark	X	Masks required for workers	X			1	~
- Supermarkets and retail shops	\checkmark	X	Masks required for workers	X		~	\checkmark	~
 Indoor entertainment venues (e.g., theatres, cinemas) 	1	Masks required for indoor music festivals with more than 1000 people	Masks required for workers in an indoor space with more than 30,000 attendees	X	V	V	~	~
 Outdoor entertainment venues (incl. amusement parks) 	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
- Outdoor stadiums	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	Masks required for large outdoor events with more than 1,000 attendees
- Gyrns	\checkmark	×	X	X	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark
- Schools, childcare, education settings	Masks not required for children in	No masks in high schools. Masks only required for	No masks in high schools. Masks required for	Masks not required for children below Year 7	Masks not required for children	Masks not required for children below Year 7	Masks not required for children below Year 7	Masks not required for

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	primary school	staff in primary schools and early childhood settings (to be removed 7 March)	staff, visitors and students in Grade 3 to 6 and childcare settings		below Year 7	children below Year 7
 Public transport, rideshare 	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark

* In Qld, from 4 March 2022, masks will only be required in healthcare settings, residential aged care, disability accommodation, prisons, public transport, airports and on planes.

* In NT, from **7 March 2022**, masks will only be required for certain high-risk settings including hospitals and health care facilities, aged care and disability residential facilities, and correctional facilities.

Jurisdictional comparison – Vaccination requirements in different settings (as at 2 March 2022)

Public health measure	QLD	NSW	VIC	ACT	SA	WA	NT	TAS
Vaccination requirements			$\Lambda(0)$	20				
Workforce			ale	\mathcal{D}				
- Workers in health settings	~	1		\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark
 Workers in aged care and disability 	1	[discretion of the aged care facility operator]	~	\checkmark	~	\checkmark	~	\checkmark
 Workers in other high-risk setting (e.g schools, corrective facilities, airports, quarantine facility) 		~	√ [includes other sectors]	\checkmark	~	[includes other sectors]	[includes other sectors]	\checkmark
General public	>							
Visitors to hospitals and aged care	~	~	*Vaccinatio n strongly recommen ded. Unvaccinat ed hospital visitors must return	X	~	~	X	\checkmark

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Hospitality venues	1	X	\checkmark	X	X	\checkmark	\checkmark	X
Entertainment venues (nightclubs, theatres, cinemas)	~	X	\checkmark	X	X	\checkmark	(H)	X
Stadiums	~	X	V	X	X		[applies to ticketed events for over 500 people in urban centres and over 100 in non-urban centres]	X
Festivals	× .	[only applies to indoor music festival over 1,000 people]	J.J.C.	X	X	[applies to Indoor events over 500 patrons, specified outdoor high- risk events and outdoor music events with more than 500 patrons]	✓ [as above]	X
Museums, galleries, libraries	*Queensland Government- owned	X	~	X	X	*Specified galleries and museums	X	X
Weddings	*When more than 20 people in attendance	X	Must follow vaccination requiremen ts of the setting (e.g., vax requiremen ts if in a hospitality setting)	X	X	Must follow vaccination requirements of the setting (e.g., vax requirements if in a hospitality setting)	X	X