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Our family have a very frail elderly family member in high care at present . She is experiencing pain and is bed ridden but in charge of her faculties.

Despite her predicament she often says that “ the angels will take her at the appointed time”

She has expressed the will to stay alive and with her loved ones to the natural end of her days.

There however a contingent of the clan that would quietly “like to see her gone” because of pending inheritances and the bother of caring and visiting one who can no longer give back.

It has placed pressure on our relative to consider that people might be” better off without her” and whether she should “cease her medication”.

This is a woman who has contributed greatly to Australian Society and who advocated for the marginalised people during a long career in education.

What is her life worth ? A cursory vote in parliament ?
A quick tick of a box and a stamp reading ‘ redundant’?

This raises the question of a frightening edge to the VAD debate ambiguous motivations for letting die for convenience or choosing to support or cajole VAD as a growing bias .

It is the thin edge of a wedge where our ideologies and scientific capabilities have out run our humanity and the moral sanctity of life. I cannot support this bill and I do not want my taxes to contribute to this sad and slippery slope.

In our sci fi world of growing AI capabilities I can’t help wondering how it will be for all of us when one day “they” stamp us as “ redundant “

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