

LEGAL AND CONSITUTIONAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE
Verbal Submission to the Voluntary Assisted Dying Inquiry

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SUBMISSION

I do not want people in the NT to be treated differently if Aboriginal Territorians do not want voluntary assisted dying (VAD). I want to be treated equally to the rest of Australia. Victoria had to consider their huge culturally diverse population and the variations within those communities. The NT needs to do the same so that NT people are not jeopardised, treated differently or disadvantaged as it is a choice. People do not have to choose VAD. I want no unfairness to anyone, everyone should be treated equally. It is physically impossible for people who are already impaired by their health to move down south to access VAD, and they would have no support there since they have made a life here in the NT. So, it is not an option to access VAD interstate.