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Inquiry into the Voluntary Assisted Dying Bill 2023

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What is
your
submission
about?: Processes for individuals seeking access to VAD

Your
submission: In my previous submission I had urged the introduction of an End-of-Life Directive available to those persons who by recent loss of decision-making capacity are unable to satisfy the requirement for a final decision to utilise VAD. Upon reading the draft legislation and explanatory statement, I continue to urge consideration for an End-of-Life Directive to be available AFTER completion of stage two to the VAD process. The reason for urging the addition of an End-of-Life Directive to be available is for those cases where a person loses decision-making capacity as a result of disease progression or medical treatment in order to save suffering from the disease. Apologies for the lateness of this submission. Yours sincerely, John Harvey

