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Re: I am an ACT resident, here is my submission to the inquiry

Dear Secretary,

I am very concerned that the ACT Government is considering legislation to legalize euthanasia. Euthanasia goes against the oath which Doctors swear to abide by. Many times we have heard of people being given only a short time to live and they go on to live years beyond the diagnosis. If euthanasia is legalized people given a wrong diagnosis could wrongly choose to end their life. There are no safeguards that can provide for the safe killing of people. Palliative care is a much safer way for people at the end of life so more funding should be put into it rather than wasting money on a debate to legalize euthanasia.

Sincerely,
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