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Dear Sir

Severe Fetal Impairment Abortion (Amendment) Bill

I have just been visiting a family member who is currently having chemotherapy, with a view to extending their life by two years. ■■■■■ was joking this will enable him to achieve his Biblical three score and ten!

Why am I telling you this? Because, when he was born with spina bifida our mother was told (a) he wouldn't live more than a few years and (b) would have no quality of life. In reality, he worked in local government for over forty years, took solo foreign holidays, and is a pillar of his church.

I contend that it is better to use medicine, which has advanced immensely since the 1950s, to help people born with disabilities rather than use it to take their life before it has begun. To that end I ask you to use this document in support of the above bill.

Yours faithfully