### Amendments to the International Health Regulations Submission 268

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**Dear JSCT** 

2024 Amendments to International Health Regulations (2005) (IHRs)

As a concerned Australian, I am writing to respectfully request your attention and consideration regarding the proposed changes to the International Health Regulations (IHR's).

I wish to bring to your attention the serious consequences that will result from provisions in the IHRs which will come into force on the 19th of September 2025, unless the Australian government rejects them by the 19th of July 2025.

The IHRs empower the Director of the World Health Organization (WHO) to declare a pandemic, even with no evidence of an actual emergency. This will activate emergency laws in Australia that grant extraordinary power to health bureaucrats cement the WHO's power and influence at the expense of Australians.

It will damage the social, economic and material health of Australians and destroy our democratic freedom.

Why the WHO should not control Australians' health

The WHO's pandemic management strategy, as outlined in the IHRs, has been shown to be a failure.

The report of the US 'Select Subcommittee on the Coronavirus Pandemic', following a twoyear investigation concluded that: [i]

- 'The WHO's response to the COVID-19 pandemic was an abject failure because it caved
  to pressure from the Chinese Communist Party and placed China's political interests
  ahead of its international duties. Further, the WHO's newest effort to solve the
  problems exacerbated by the COVID-19 pandemic via a "Pandemic Treaty" may
  harm the United States.'
- 'Contrary to what was promised, the COVID-19 vaccine did not stop the spread or transmission of the virus.'
- 'Public health officials engaged in a coordinated effort to ignore natural immunity —
  which is acquired through previous COVID-19 infection when developing vaccine
  guidance and mandates.'

What the Treaties will enable the WHO to do

The IHRs empower the WHO to declare an emergency, even where there is not a single human death from a disease, with little or no evidence of an actual emergency, and even if this is against the advice of its own expert committee.

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The WHO will then issue recommendations for dealing with the so-called emergency and expect the world to follow.

In supporting the IHRs, the federal government is flagging Australia's intention to willingly follow the WHO's lead, reducing Australian decision-makers to little more than rubber stamps.

With the WHO warning of more public health emergencies, and its greater influence as a result of these treaties, we can expect more lockdowns and other extreme measures, resulting in:

- small business closures, leading to job losses and financial distress
- social isolation, leading to an increase in mental health problems such as loneliness, depression, suicide and domestic violence
- travel restrictions and increased surveillance
- school closures, resulting in less class time, lower academic performance and social isolation of children
- imposition of pharmaceutical health interventions, whether or not they have been successfully trialled, whether or not they are effective, whether or not there are better alternatives and whether or not people want them.

## Beneficiaries of the WHO treaties

The WHO is not an independent health authority and derives more than 80% of its funding from non-member states. It encourages investment and promises healthy returns and its investors can specify how the WHO is to use its funds.

The provisions in these documents benefit the pharmaceutical industry far more than they benefit Australians.

## Please take action

I urge you to take urgent action to reject the IHRs before the 19th of July-2025 deadline. I further urge you to oppose the WHO's proposed Pandemic Agreement which the Australian Government has also been considering. Please be advised that I will not be voting for any candidate who does not speak up in opposition to these treaties.

Thank you for your attention to this important message. I look forward to receiving your response.

Yours faithfully



[i] 'After Action Review of the COVID-19 Pandemic: The Lessons Learned and a Path Forward' which can be found here:https://oversight.house.gov/report/after-action-review-of-the-covid-19-pandemic-the-lessons-learned-and-a-path-forward/

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