To whom it may concern,

I oppose most strongly the new migration bill.

It is inhumane and reduces the practice of Australia in dealing with vulnerable people to the level of poor countries who do not have the resources to be just or merciful.

Australia can do better. It is ironic that our country is built on migration, it has revived us again and again, and yet here we are showing no understanding or compassion, nor self regard in dealing with people who could become vital, energetic members of our community.

Thank you.

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