I express my opposition to the End of Life Assistance (Scotland) Bill.

The reason for my opposition is that, generally, the Bill is against the good of Society and specifically:-

It proposes a rupture from the legal protection given to all people from being intentionally killed.

It is fundamentally discriminatory by identify particular groups who can be candidates to have their lives ended.

Its procedures and safeguards will easily permit many vulnerable people to be killed.

It will create the impression that some people are right to want to die.

It will make some people feel a burden for not choosing to die.

It will permit children of 16 years of age to request to die.

It has no conscious clause to permit doctors and medical staff to refuse to participate in the procedures.

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