

# Disability and dying

SIR - Lord Rix, who has issued a plea for euthanasia to be legalised, has spent decades of his life working to protect the interests of some of the most vulnerable groups of disabled people, and knows more than most about their experiences and concerns.

The great majority of disabled people support assisted dying for the terminally ill (Letters, August 8) and would want the right to control their deaths should they become terminally ill themselves. There is no evidence that disabled people are vulnerable to a safeguarded assisted dying law.

It would be a wonderful tribute to Lord Rix if the Government would introduce an assisted dying bill - something that 82 per cent of the population supports.

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