

Dear Sir/Madam,

In regards to the consolidation of anti-discrimination legislation I would ask that there be no expansion of the current laws. I would also ask that sexuality and gender identity not be included in any changes as current laws allow more than sufficient protection for people in these groups. Consolidating the legislation is one thing but expanding it to include sexuality and gender identity would complicate an already complicated situation in regards to freedom of speech and freedom of religion.

The question is, can you assure the Australian people that our freedoms will remain intact (specifically freedom of speech and freedom of religion) if any changes are made to expand the anti-discrimination legislation? In Australia, the case against the Wesley Mission (*OW & OV v Members of the Board of the Wesley Mission Council*) shows that there is no need to introduce more laws or expand the existing legislation unless it is to protect the freedom of religious groups so that they can conduct their activities without the threat of litigation simply because someone does not approve of their beliefs.

Thank you for your consideration.

Regards,

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