

I respectfully recommend that no changes be made to the anti-discrimination laws as any changes are most likely to have the undesired effect of restricting freedom.

I particularly oppose such laws based on sexuality and gender identity as this would undoubtedly restrict religious freedom, and there have been many cases where this has occurred.

Freedom of religion and freedom of speech have always been strongly supported in Australian society and I feel it is imperative that this should be maintained. Christians should remain free to teach biblical morality and heterosexual relationships without fear of reprisal, and be free to choose what is taught to their children.

Thank you for your consideration of these comments.

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