

Dear Sirs,

The aim of this reform is nothing less than another push for the destruction of the mainstream Australian family. It is an unacceptable intrusion in family affairs, an absolute trivialization of DV to pander for feminist interest groups and organizations which make a living off what, if in reverse, would be hailed as hate mongering against women.

The Duluth Model being used by the women's groups has long been denounced by its own creators as manifestly inadequate to be used for policy determination, because it was designed off 6 specific study cases in the late 50's, not under modern and reliable scientific study structures.

Indeed, the current PASK studies on DV, which comes off the back of studying over 120 000 DV cases and families across several countries, is up to date and reliable. Unfortunately for the women's groups who live off the demonization of men, it also demonstrates that DV is an equally shared phenomenon, with women actually initiating it on a higher percentage than men.

Those of you espousing further Family Reforms such as this one, which openly discriminate against men in general, are fostering, aiding and abetting human rights abuse against men, by destroying the presumption of innocence bar, which has been a reasonable standard for justice in the modern secular world.

You are also without any doubt, destroying the onus of trust between men and women in relationships, by being divisive, sowing discord and mistrust between men and women, sowing the seeds of destruction of the family as an institution which forms the basis of nations and society. You are destroying the foundations of personal relations for the next generations and creating a countrywide stolen generation of children without fathers. Many studies and statistics also point out that fatherless children have well defined and often serious, all round poorer outcomes in their future lives. The UK is now trying to cope with an epidemic of problems in their youth, the blame now placed fair and square on the failings of single parent homes. You seriously can't contemplate on heading down that same disastrous path.

Statistics are being manipulated by many women's groups, trying to make Australian men seem as violent to women as our counterparts in Afghanistan, Pakistan and a few choice parts of the world. Contrary to what women's groups making submissions here try to claim, the undeniable fact is that Australia is still one of the safest countries in the world for men, women and children. While there are higher than average incidences of DV in some specific minority communities, this fact is strenuously ignored, even denied, thus detracting from the need these groups need for focused aid.

In a nutshell, because I have no time to make a better presentation, I ask you to postpone this reform and consult with the wider community on this. The next generation will either thank you or condemn you for your mistakes. You have already created one stolen generation for the Aboriginal community, don't take the whole country down the same path, you have no right to do so. Stop feeding the DV industry, because that is what this is.

Kind regards

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