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ANTI-DISCRIMINATION AMENDMENT (RELIGIOUS FREEDOMS AND EQUALITY) BILL 2020

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Please don't do this

You might think I am asking you not to do this because I am Transgender. Well only to a small part I am. That part that is screaming for others in my community to leave the US as soon as possible. There is no real freedom for many in the LGBT community in the US. As I write this 20 Transwomen have been killed in the US alone for 2020. Here we are (Australia) with zero Transgender murders. Many of the killings in the US are based on some sort of religious structure of hate. We are better than that, we are better than allowing our identity to be robbed from us to make a few feel better. When I came to Australia it was with hopes that I could find a better life. Over the last few years, I have watched in horror at the evergrowing hate that has now become commonplace in America. I have family and friends in the US and I fear for my life to return. This type of hate grows in religious backing of the proposed religious freedom bill. Is this what Australia really wants and that is to lose its identity?

--Kind Regards
~Ally