

**Submission
No 163**

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

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Dear Committee Chair,

Our society should be free of unjust discrimination against people where it is based on their faith or non-faith.

This Bill would prohibit discrimination on the ground of a person's religious beliefs or religious activities in work and other areas, so that religion has protections equal to other forms of discrimination in NSW. It would also prohibit discrimination against people who do not have any religious conviction, belief, opinion, or affiliation.

Many Christians are scared to admit to their Christianity in the workplace. Religious discrimination is real, it is unacceptable, and it needs this bill to address this problem being felt by employees in NSW. I support objects of the Anti-Discrimination Amendment (Religious Freedoms and Equality) Bill 2020.

I call on the parliament to pass the bill to ensure religious freedom is protected.

Please let common sense prevail!

Yours sincerely,
Ruth Allison