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## INQUIRY INTO SAME SEX MARRIAGE LAW IN NSW

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Standing Committee on Social Issues Inquiry into same sex marriage law in NSW

Dear Committee chair,

First of all I would like to thank you for an amazing opportunity to have an inquire on the same sex marriage issue.

Many people are saying no to same sex marriage due to what the Christian and Catholics believe in, but there many homosexual people that are Atheist but there is still other homosexual people that are Catholic or Christian. Being homosexual would not stop them believing in their God, it does not change the way they look at God, so it really doesn't matter if they're homosexual or not because it does not change the way they believe in God.

When you ask someone to define marriage? Some would say it's when you love someone, when you want to spend a life time with someone, when you want to go through thick and thin with someone. But then I went on google and searched what marriage really means, google definition of marriage is "The formal union of a man and a woman, typically recognized by law, by which they become husband and wife". It says that it's between a man and a woman; because that's a proper way to explain it, but to a normal average person they say "someone" that someone can be either a man or a woman, that they love, want to spend a life time with them, go through everything with them. To me I define marriage as when you truly love someone that you know you cannot spend a day without them. That is what marriage should be defined as, it doesn't matter if it between two men or two women as long as they love each and knows they can't spend a day without each other then they should be allowed to get marry.

Nothing should really stop gay people getting married because it wouldn't make our state go up side down, it won't be nothing dramatic that everyone will freak out and stuff, it's normal now. We see homosexual couples walking down the street, no really freaks out about it anymore. It's like seeing a normal couple. The only people that could only stop a gay couple getting married is their parents, they should be the only one that should have a say, not the law. Even if the law is for everyone in the state but marriage does not affect everyone in the state.

People complains about gay couple can't have babies, what about adoption or IVF? There are hundreds of homeless kids out on the street now days, wouldn't you rather them kids to be living in a home with 2 mature adult? See as long it's two adult ready to take care of a baby or a kid then they're good to go. It doesn't have to be a man and a woman to take care of a baby or a kid. Yes man can take a bit slower time to develop skills and to get experience to take care of the baby or kid, but it gets the job done doesn't it? You can never underestimate a person ability to learn or to do something.

When a homosexual person is already in their early late teens, you can't really change them anymore, they found who they're really are. You can't change them, you can't make them straight again. In the song "Same Love" by Macklemore in the chorus it says "And I can't change, Even if I tried, Even if I wanted to, I can't change, Even if I try, Even if I wanted to." Some homosexual people want to change but they just can't help themselves, to change the way they act.

Thank you for taking your time to read my inquiry.