

INQUIRY INTO SAME SEX MARRIAGE LAW IN NSW

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To The Social Issues Committee of the NSW Parliament

I strongly support the protection of marriage between one man and one woman. I am strongly opposed to equality of marriage where a man can marry a man and a woman can marry a woman. We as a nation need to look to the future of our country. Marriage as we know it is a public recognition of an intimate relationship between a man and a woman. This has formed and does form the basis of order in our society and provides the best circumstance to raise children.

Marriage affects society. The family unit is the basis of our society. Change the definition of marriage and the effects will be far reaching. Legally, marriage as we know it makes laws- who can or cannot marry. These laws protect the order of our society. People under 18 cannot marry. Polygamy is forbidden. A society without order ends up in anarchy.

Homosexuals make up a very small proportion of our society and even fewer of those homosexuals seek marriage. Why upturn the fabric of our society? Children raised in such relationships will certainly be disadvantaged. Children should not be subjected to social experimentation.

Marriage as it now exists brings the responsibility of commitment for the long term. It is based on love between a man and a woman and has its own unique duties and obligations. It is the only relationship lawfully acknowledged and the only relationship with the possibility of procreation. Marriage will keep love and family together.

It would be a huge error to change the definition of marriage- homosexual marriage is nothing like marriage that we have today. Please do not interfere with this essential institution of our society.

Yours truly,
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