

INQUIRY INTO SAME SEX MARRIAGE LAW IN NSW

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Same-sex marriage needs to be legal because it's a point in history that is imperative to Australia's cultural development. We are a nation that prides ourselves on our civil liberties, however equality at its simplest is not being answered when it comes to who we can love. It's not a matter of gay citizens being able to participate in a lavish marriage ceremony, it's about legal recognition, enabling family stability and justifying a right to live exactly as every other citizen in Australia is able to live: fairly and equally before the law. The consequence is not that religious sects will go awry, or that bestiality and polygamy are of legal question as well, but rather that gay citizens can have a stamp against discrimination and not be considered second class Australians.