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INQUIRY INTO SAME SEX MARRIAGE LAW IN NSW

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Why is the state government wasting taxpayer time and money on this Bill. Any legislation that eventually arises will be invalid and unconstitutional. A total waste of time.

Marriage is the baliwick of the Federal government, if different state laws were instituted confusion would be the norm and fragmenting of such laws provides no benefit to the community at all.

Opinion polls loaded with simplistic questions are less than helpful and do not provide any reliable guide to public opinion. A referendum is the only valid and sure way to find out the views of the community.

The current marriage Act recognises that the committed union of a man and a woman is the best way to encourage a stable social environment that provides for the raising of children. Children with a mother and father have the best chance to develop a balanced identity.

The paragra[hs above are the reasons why marriage should remain a union between a man and a woman. Further, the NSW Government should either hold a referendum and stop wasting taxpayers money with this inquiry.

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