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## **INQUIRY INTO SAME SEX MARRIAGE LAW IN NSW**

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Marriage is the union between a man and a woman and has always been defined as such in all cultures and throughout history.

It is a natural relationship in which children can be produced and enjoy their right to both a father and a mother and provide them with the optimal chance for developing successfully into maturity.

Marriage is a federal issue and has already been settled there – the New South Wales parliament should not be attempting to redefine marriage. Also the state has no business in redefining something that has naturally existed for most of history. Stop wasting time, money and effort on this continual push by a minority, and get on with resolving some far greater and more important issues that are plaguing our society.

Those pushing for a re-definition of marriage cite "equality" and "discrimination" as their reason. There is no discrimination against any couple, same sex or opposite, from living together in a sexual union. They simply can not use the term, "marriage" and this can in no way be described as discrimination. It would be absurd for me as a "white" person to want to change the definition of "white" and "black" so that I could be called a "black" person, and this is the same argument these people are using. Marriage is marriage! Get over it!

Redefining marriage will also lead to discrimination against some religions - or doesn't this matter?