

**Submission
No 443**

INQUIRY INTO SAME SEX MARRIAGE LAW IN NSW

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To:
Social Issues Committee
Parliament House
Sydney, NSW

Re: Same Sex Marriage

I strongly and humbly oppose the concept of Same Sex Marriage for the following reasons:

1. Since the dawn of history in almost every clan and tribe marriage has been the lifelong union of a man and a woman.
2. Mothers and fathers parent differently and children need both approaches in order to develop the ideal balanced identity.
3. The issue should only be resolved by way of a referendum as opinion polls with their simplistic (by necessity) questions are not a reliable guide to true public opinion.
4. Marriage is a Federal issue and therefore a NSW bill on the issue would appear to be invalid and unconstitutional.