

INQUIRY INTO SAME SEX MARRIAGE LAW IN NSW

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Thank you for giving 'ordinary' people a voice in the 'Same Sex Marriage' debate. One can think of many reasons to oppose the Bill which proposes to investigate same sex marriage. Two reasons I put forward only, as I expect many people will put forward most of the other reasons.

1) As marriage is a legal union between a man and a woman, there can be no 'marriage' in the legal sense between two people of the same sex. They can live together if they want to, but they can't be 'married' in the legal sense.

2) When children are born of a union between a man and a woman who live together in a stable relationship, those children grow up being parented by both partners. This provides those children with a balanced identity. This balance can't be achieved when children are parented by two people of the same sex.

One questions why Mr. O'Farrell has set up the parliamentary inquiry at all. Surely he realises that marriage is a Federal issue, and a State Bill would be unconstitutional. One wonders is there pressure from within and/or without the State Parliament. One suspects from both areas. After all, every vote counts!

Yours etc.,

Kevin W Brown.