

**Submission  
No 427**

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

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**I reject the introduction of a same sex marriage bill by the NSW Parliament. See enclosed letter outlining key points of my submission.**

Re: NSW Parliamentary Enquiry in to Same Sex Marriage – Submission

Key Points for my Submission are as follows:

- Historically marriage has been between a man and a woman with the intent of procreation. Procreation is naturally only between a man and a woman and no society or government should ever seek to change what has been created naturally.
- It is unconstitutional for the NSW state government or any other state or territory to submit a bill of this type. It is a federal issue and should be dealt with under the Australian constitution.
- Marriage is not only about love. It is about a long term commitment to an institution and the strengthening of the union between father, mother and their offspring in the context of protecting and perpetuating healthy relationships that produce stable societies. Word of warning: Australia already has serious problems relating to domestic violence, and the breakdown of family, social and moral values. To introduce same sex marriage would introduce a whole new set of social, moral and domestic dilemmas.
- Gay and lesbian couples say it is their right to have marriage equality. But what about the inherent right of a child to have a mother and a father. Instinctively a son will look to his father to help bring him in to manhood. Something a mother or two mothers cannot provide (you can't give what you don't have). Further, when will we wake up as a society and realise that socially engineering our children to the norms of a small minority is holding them captive to a life of compromise and confusion.

Yours Sincerely,

Tony Scarborough