

**Submission  
No 73**

**INQUIRY INTO MODERN SLAVERY ACT 2018 AND  
ASSOCIATED MATTERS**

**Organisation:** Paint4Freedom Limited

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**Date: October 4<sup>th</sup>, 2019**

**To:** The NSW Legislative Council's Standing Committee on Social Issues -Inquiry into the *Modern Slavery Act 2018* and associated matters

**Prepared by:** Paint4Freedom Limited

**WHO WE ARE:**

**Paint4Freedom limited** is an Australian Registered Charity ABN: 95 621 812 002.

The organisation was created to run a national art competition to assist in educating the general public about the tragedy of modern-day slavery.

**POINTS FOR SUBMISSION:**

- I would like to express my support for the NSW Act as world leading legislation.
- I also support the Amendments and Regulations currently put forward.
- I have deep concerns that the Act did not go into operation as planned on July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2019.
- I believe it is imperative that the Act is proclaimed and put into operation without further delay as this is an issue that demands nothing less.
- I believe that the Inquiry Committee and the NSW Government should do no more than tidy up so called loose ends and any constitutional conflicts with the Commonwealth Modern Slavery Act.
- I see no supportable grounds for a threshold question as to the need for the State Act. It is incumbent on the NSW Government to fulfil its human rights obligations in this area but to also encourage other jurisdictions to do the same.

I thank you for your consideration and look forward to the NSW Act being proclaimed as soon as possible.

Kindest regards,

Doug Malcolm  
Co-Founder / Director