

11 March 2011

Senate Committee On
Australian Capital Territory (Self-Government) Amendment (Disallowance and Amendment Power of the Commonwealth) Bill 2010

ATTENTION: PLEASE REJECT THIS BILL

I would like to register my opposition to the Private Members' Bill, sponsored by Senator Bob Brown called the *Australian Capital Territory (Self-Government) Amendment (Disallowance and Amendment Power of the Commonwealth) Bill 2010*.

Such a bill could be used to bring in Euthanasia and Homosexual Civil Unions that will mimic marriage, both of which I reject.

I request that this bill be rejected for the following reasons:

- This change introduces the possibility of Euthanasia and Homosexual Civil Unions by stealth
- Homosexual Civil Unions disrupt the right of children of a father and a mother
- Homosexual Civil Unions intrinsically devalue one of the sexes – the mutuality of the sexes is enhanced in heterosexual marriage
- Heterosexual marriage has been shown to be the best institution for raising healthy and contributing society members
- Euthanasia devalues human life, putting pressure on the vulnerable to 'do the right thing' so they are not an inconvenience
- Euthanasia cannot be made safe – it will result in manipulation and the loss of life for convenience or worse
- As a society we are much better to promote quality palliative care for the infirm rather than Euthenasia
- The debate on this Bill has not been given sufficient public time for considered understanding

This bill is not in the best interests of our Nation or the families, old people and the children of our nation.

Thankyou for your interest in governing our Nation well.