

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
- Homosexual unions, if regarded as marriage, effectively undermine a multi-cultural and timeless social institution which has, operated as the primary social substrate for family life for millennia
- . Homosexual persons are currently able to make a life long commitment to oneanother , without usurping and injecting a totally different meaning into the time honoured relationship of one man and one woman for life.
- To allow the gay lobby to re-define marriage in their radically different terms, is permi social engineering of the highest order due to the interests, is to approve a radical re-engineering of the social substrate of our culture. The interests of a gay couple in remaining faithful to oneanother for life can be met by alternative means and .without re-engineering basic social units on which our society stands
- 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.