

To whom it may concern,

I write on behalf of Dalby Christian Outreach Centre with reference to the proposed Human Rights and Anti Discrimination bill.

Our main concern is that although such legislation seems fine in theory, history has shown that it can be misused by minority groups to further their agenda at the expense of the interests of the majority.

We are also concerned that such legislation will give rise to a situation of reduced freedom of religion and speech in this nation. It is important that true freedom of speech be preserved in Australia, even to the extent of individuals or groups experiencing perceived insult or offence.

Genuine freedom of religion and speech is so precious and we only need to look at other nations to see the negative effect on the indigenous people where such basic freedoms are lacking.

Yours faithfully,

George Lee on behalf of Dalby Christian Outreach Centre