

Submission to the Senate Enquiry of Australian Capital Territory (Self-Government) Amendment

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 as not being in the best interests of our Nation, families, the mentally and physically ill, old people and the children of our nation.

I reject Euthanasia as being a way of compassionately treating the elderly, terminally and mentally ill, the depressed/suicidal and those not deemed to be viable human beings. Compassion means **“to suffer with”** not kill. The role of medical professionals and carers is to treat the abovementioned people with all the medical help at their disposal and to provide comfort, support and emotional help in the transmission from life to death, or a return to mental health through counselling and drugs.

I also reject the notion that homosexual unions should be allowed to mimic marriage. No one has a 'right' to marriage, any more than a man has a 'right' to a woman, or a woman has a 'right' to a child. Allowing homosexual unions to marry is an attempt to “normalise”, that is, make “natural” their homosexual activity, which it isn't.

Yours sincerely....