

Senate Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee
Religious Discrimination Bill 2021 [Provisions]
Attorney-General's Department

Question date: 20 January 2022

Senator Janet Rice asked the following question:

In relation to the reported “deal” to “make immediate changes” to s38 of the Sex Discrimination Act (‘Religious discrimination bill: moderate Liberals strike deal to protect gay students’, The Guardian, 1 December 2021):

- What was the nature of the ‘deal’? Did it involve a written agreement, or an informal understanding?
- When does the government intend to introduce amendments to s38 of the SDA?
- What consultation has the government undertaken in relation to those amendments?

The response to the question is as follows:

The department has no information on this matter.