

I, the undersigned \_\_\_\_\_ ) am writing to register my opposition to the Private Members' Bill, proposed by Senator Bob Brown called the Australian Capital Territory (Self-Government) Amendment (Disallowance and Amendment Power of the Commonwealth) Bill 2010. This Bill could be the vehicle through which Mr Brown and others so inclined could introduce Euthanasia and Homosexual Civil Union laws. As a Psychologist, I believe that both of these would cause irreparable damage to the psychological health of all Australians (especially of children and the elderly) and undermine the nation's psycho-social stability, general well-being and financial prosperity. When normal, healthy boundaries around human behaviour are loosened to such an extent that "anything goes", and when murder becomes legislated, healthy social behaviour and psychological functioning can be expected to deteriorate, resulting in the escalation of crime, murder, family breakdown and mental illness. Let's not use the people of this nation as some kind of radical sociological and psychological experiment. This Bill also fails to respect the original tenet of Territory legislation as set apart from the states, and represents a direct affront to the foundational Christian values upon which this nation has to date flourished. I therefore urge all parliamentarians to reject this Bill outright. Thank you.