I support the Human Rights and Anti-Discrimination Bill and ask the Committee to recommend it be passed in this parliamentary term.

I'm an ageing retired man living in Parramatta, NSW. In my youth I experienced the legal and cultural discrimination that led many people to suicide & self-hatred. It still happens. It happens in my church (Catholic) and in continuing instances of verbal abuse I witness. It doesn't happen to me, as I look too old!

This legislation is important for so many groups of Gay & Lesbian people -- including old people like me. I don't want to be subjected to renewed discrimination when & if I go into an old people's home.

Barry Bell