Members of the Senate Committee investigating the "Human Rights and Anti-Discrimination Bill 2012.

**Dear Senators** 

I have a number of concerns over this Bill.

Clause 124 will remove the age old tradition of one being innocent before being proved guilty. This British custom reflects Christian value and should not be foresaken. To require one to prove one's innocence is a complete reversal of everything we have become accustomed to. It is a precedent to be avoided.

In a free society, we expect to be able to express our opinions and if that is curtailed, we have suffered a significant loss.

It is understood that this does not permit slander and the courts can always protect a citizen against any offender in this matter.

We do not need to be over governed. There presently exists a multitude of laws and we do not wish or need any more restrictions.

Sincerely

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