

7th Jan., 2011.

Committee Secretary,
Senate Legal and Constitutional Committee,
P.O. Box 6100,
Parliament House,
CANBERRA. A.C.T. 2600.

Dear Sir,

I understand that there is to be an inquiry, by the Legal and Constitutional Affairs References Committee into the Australian film and literature classification scheme. In view of this, I am writing to express my views in this matter.

It is evident that the current system is not working well, as the young people of to-day are being constantly bombarded by sexual and violent messages from many sources, including films, video games, billboards, and even music videos. I trust this inquiry will take a careful look at the impact of such things as R18+ and X18+ films, the sexualisation of children,, and all those things which lead to the increase in violence, and the general decadence in society.

I urge this committee to consider the welfare and protection of society in general, and of young, impressionable, and vulnerable people in particular, rather than the selfish demands of those who would resent all restrictions.

Yours faithfully,
Beth Stanger.