

Hello,

My name is David Hopkins, and I am writing in regards to the Marriage Equality Amendment Bill 2009.

I writing in concern of this bill being proposed, in the chance that it will be passed.

I believe that this bill should not be passed for many reasons, namely, that marriage is a sacred thing that should be between a man and a woman only.

The Commonwealth Marriage Act definition of Marriage states that "marriage means the union of a man and a woman to the exclusion of all others, voluntarily entered into for life".

This is how it should be kept, and if this bill is passed, then it contradicts this above definition, and also the common view of all mankind.

I hope that you will not pass this bill, and recognise that same sex marriage cannot be considered marriage in the most basic meaning of the term. If this bill is passed, then we would just be giving in to peer pressure by a small minority, and compromise the sacred union that is marriage.

Please think about these things written, and use the discretion you have and see that marriage should be kept between a man and a woman.

Thank you kindly for taking the time to read this.

Regards, David.