Sir

I wish to advise that I strongly disagree with the proposed Bill in its present format. As a mother, and recreational fisherperson, my family's lifestyle would be shattered if we were not able to spend our weekends out fishing. We support the conservation of the environment and are animal lovers, but it is quite ridiculous to think the capture of fish is painful. We enjoy eating fish, and appreciate the occasional savings to the family budget. Remember the old saying - A family that fishes together, stays together. Fishing with children should be encouraged, not banned, as the activity is a great bonding tool for parents.

Why even Jesus was a fisherman. Fish are an important part of our diet, so don't include fishing in this Bill.

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