

I am writing in regards to the proposed Online Safety Act.

While I agree that there is a need for an updated set of rules and guidelines for the online world, I fear that we are going down the same road as the USA with regards to adult content. It causes direct harm to a marginalised and disadvantaged community and results in people turning to less safe avenues of work

It also has the potential to impact on education for the general population. We have a long history of the human race doing weird sex things, but now we have an amazing resource available to make it less likely that people cause themselves permanent harm while doing so.

This is Australia. We pride ourselves on being open, laid back and free. Why do we need to introduce misguided censorship laws?

- The online content scheme under Part 9 of the Bill should be removed as it is not related to issues of online safety and is likely to harm the livelihood of sex workers, adult media performers and adults-only businesses.
- The role of the eSafety Commissioner should be to focus on non-consensual, abusive and harmful content and not imagery of consensual sexual activity between adults.

Don't turn this into a bill that directly leads to greater harassment, poverty and danger for sex workers, and robs the average citizen of the chance to be well educated when it comes to sex.

Sincerely,