

National Human Rights Consultation Submission

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Submission Text:

i strongly object to the institution of a Bill of Rights for the following reasons;

* I live in a strong democracy. TGHis proposal will see many decisions delegated to the Judiciary, empowering them far beyond what i see as their role in the country's justice system.

* The judiciary will inevitably and eventually make decisions and interpretations that all will be required to abide by under the rule of law, whether that interpretation is fair and equitable or not. There is too much room for things to go wrong.

*The current system allows for the consensus of the public to be heard and acted on.

*It will basically elevate the judiciary to a higher level than the politicians. At least politicians can be voted out if they make silly decisions. That is the key....the public general consensus can act under the current system. Interpretation by judges can lead to irrevocable decisions under certain circumstances and i would be prepared to march in the streets to not see this Bill eventuate.

*The Bill of Rights in other countries who have them can be clearly seen to have many faults. Australia's current system still stacks up well against the USA etc, with less frustration. Why change a system that is working. Nothing is perfect, but a Bill of Rights makes an even more imperfect system.

*I would like to be informed of the summary position of the submissions please, once this timeframe for submissions has been closed off.