

National Human Rights Consultation Submission

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Submission Text:

I, like so many others in society, face discrimination imposed by current legislation due to my sexuality. My partner and I are fortunate to have a wonderful relationship, supporting friends and family, fulfilling careers, and excitement for what our future together holds. However, a hole remains in our relationship, as we are denied the right to be married. For my partner and I, this issue is more important than any other, as denying us our fundamental right to be married devalues our relationship. It should go without saying that all Australian citizens should have equal rights under the law regardless of ethnicity, gender, sexuality, religion or political persuasion. However, as this has not yet occurred in practice, we must now explicitly define these rights in law.