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While I would like to thank the Commission for its efforts to design laws that reduce the danger of discrimination within the Territory, I would nevertheless like to share some concerns I have regarding these proposed changes.

With regard to question 2: As I look at the changing condition of our nation, I note a growing intolerance and discrimination directed towards those who disagree with the fundamentalist ideology of gender politics and sexuality. There is definitely a danger of discrimination, but its victims are those who have the courage to speak against minority groups trying to indoctrinate school students (eg: Safe Schools program) and redefine our societies. It would be much appreciated if governments, both State/Territory and Federal would stop trying to force gender ideology on all its citizens.

With relation to question 4, I am concerned that the pursuit of inoffensiveness will effectively erode the ability for people to discuss areas of disagreement, which will further limit our freedom to speak on certain issues of importance. To disagree with someone may cause offense, but this should not be equated with discrimination and will only lead to greater division within our communities and country.

Question 14 raises the idea that religious organisations are discriminating against teachers when they fail to be employed because of religious grounds. As a parent, I paid significant fees to ensure my children received an education that affirmed the beliefs and values I hold as a Christian. I would not have sent my children to a school where teachers did not also hold the same beliefs and values. An effort to prioritise the rights of one group (non-religious teachers) over another group (Christian parents and schools) simply moves the supposed discrimination from one place to another.

Regard's,