

VOTING NO on the Misinformation & Disinformation bill.

Dear Senators,

I am writing to you today in relation to the (appropriately named) 'MAD' bill, aka the Misinformation & Disinformation bill currently before Parliament.

As we know, today 7th November the bill passed through the house of representatives and is on its way to you in the Senate tabled for the next sitting week (at this point) commencing 18th November.

I am writing to implore you to PLEASE VOTE AGAINST IT, and not allow it to pass ending democracy as we know it in Australia.

Without free speech, we have no democracy and not one of you can walk into our Australian Parliament and proudly say you are still an elected member of a 'Representative Democracy' because that ends the day this bill is passed.

The fact you have a bill that has passed the lower house giving unchecked powers to ACMA with minimal to no scope on what 'misinformation & disinformation' is AND what 'harm it causes' is is extremely alarming and goes against the very thread of Free speech let alone a free and democratic society.

The bill in ANY form was already was already alarming to me, but to read the Human Rights Commission submission who weighed in on the initial exposure of the bill, and said the bill should not be allowed to pass in its current form. I'm aware amendments were made (to a bill which shouldn't exist in the first place) but you know you're vehemently on the wrong track in legislative creation when the Human Rights Commission is weighing in because our Freedom of expression is not sufficiently protected.

I will be watching the debates with deep interest and extreme concern and be taking note on which way every single one of you vote. Should you vote FOR it, you personally and your party will NOT be receiving a vote from me in future elections.

May I respectfully remind you, that you are an elected representative FOR the people BY the people and need to take into consideration the PEOPLE'S WILL going in to this vote & I trust you will be voting AGAINST democracy ending legislation.

With HOPE & anticipation you will do the right thing,