

Legislation Committee

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Sent: Thursday, 2 May 2019 10:24 PM
To: Legislation Committee
Subject: Submission to Inquiry into Human Reproductive Technology and Surrogacy Legislation Amendment Bill 2018.

Dear Members of the Standing Committee on Legislation,

I am writing to address your inquiry into the *Human Reproductive Technology and Surrogacy Legislation Amendment Bill 2018*, which I understand will amend the *Human Reproductive Technology Act 1991* and the *Surrogacy Act 2008* to enable male same-sex couples and single men to access surrogacy.

We are completely opposed to this legislation and support the submission presented by ARPA.

This legislation is not necessary, tramples over the rights of children to have both a father and a mother, and is morally offensive.

God's design for the family is that children are an expectation within a family of one man and one woman who have sworn a lifelong oath of faithfulness to each other. Surrogacy continues the process of fracturing families and divides motherhood.

We urge the members to reject this bill.

Yours faithfully,

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