

I, Douglas Noel Humphries
petition which contains **3** signatures.

in the State of Western Australia, am the promoter this

PETITION IN RELATION TO THE MENTAL HEALTH BILL

To the President and Members of the Legislative Council of the Parliament of Western Australia in Parliament assembled.

We the undersigned residents of Western Australia are opposed to the lack of awareness in the Mental Health Bill 2013 of the real possibility of citizens being misdiagnosed as having a mental illness and treated involuntarily when they are **NOT** mentally ill. Errors do occur and can result in gross breaches of natural justice. In keeping with Australia's commitment to process fairness and the value it places on freedom of speech, thought and person, we the undersigned believe that there is a need for additional protection to be extended to involuntary patients that would take advantage of technology to record diagnostic interviews (with appropriate cautions) that could result in involuntary incarceration and treatment.

Your petitioners therefore respectfully request the Legislative Council to recommend the following action:-

1. Add a clause in the Bill stating that all diagnostic interviews, the outcome of which could result in involuntary treatment, are required to be recorded on video and kept on file for future reference by the patient and as evidence that involuntary incarceration was warranted should it ever be contested.
2. Add a specific clause to address cases of misdiagnosis of mental illness when they do occur and provide assistance to people to review and correct their medical records.

And your petitioners as in duty bound, will ever pray.

NAME	ADDRESS	SIGNATURE