The Hon Michael Daley MP Attorney General



Ms Helene Minnican
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly
Parliament House
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Dear Clerk,

Legislative Assembly Committee on Community Services inquiry into the Equality Legislation Amendment (LGBTIQA+) Bill 2023

I write to provide the NSW Government's response to the Legislative Assembly's Committee on Community Services report on the inquiry into the Equality Legislation Amendment (LGBTIQA+) Bill 2023.

The NSW Government notes the Committee's recommendation that the Parliament of NSW proceed to consider the Equality Bill, including stakeholder input into the Committee's inquiry.

After extensive consultation and consideration of the findings of the Committee, the NSW Government supported the legislation with amendments. The Equality Legislation Amendment (LGBTIQA+) Bill 2024 passed both Houses of Parliament on 17 October 2024 and received assent on 23 October 2024.

I would like to thank the Committee members for their work in relation to this important issue. In particular, I'd like to acknowledge the Committee's efforts in considering 66 written submissions and hearing evidence from 44 witnesses in a very short timeframe. The Committee's summary of stakeholder views on the reforms proposed in the Equality Bill greatly assisted the NSW Government in considering its position in relation to the Bill.

Sincerely,

Michael Daley MP Attorney General

28 November 2024