

Newsletter 13 Progress of the draft Human Rights Bill

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I would like to provide you with an update on the draft Human Rights and Anti-discrimination bill which is significant to the issue of coercive measures in vaccination policies. The report was tabled last Thursday 21st February and the 3 Coalition Senators have rejected this bill for the following reasons:

- The provisions of the bill violate fundamental human rights.
- The scope of the Bill is impossibly wide and dangerously vague
- The bill is internally inconsistent and liable to produce unintended consequences
- The bill would damage Australia's social fabric by encouraging a 'culture of complaint

Now is the time for Australians to demonstrate their concerns over this bill. I have provided further information about the draft bill on the Human Rights page of my website. In addition, I have provided the following information about government policies to assist people to see the way in which our right to control our own *healthy* bodies is gradually being removed. Here is some information on government policy to clarify the issues that many Australians are concerned about.

Vaccination Policy and Human Rights:

Vaccines are a medical intervention for healthy people that are recommended by the government in public health policies. In Australia the public is not informed of the ingredients of vaccines yet the government is using financial incentives and work placements to encourage the uptake of multiple vaccines. Using a drug in healthy people is a different risk assessment to using a drug in sick people. All drugs have side-effects and US law describes vaccines as 'unavoidably unsafe'. In addition, the public has a right to be fully informed about medical procedures (particularly for healthy people) before the drugs are administered. This right was implemented in the Nuremberg Code and later stated in the International Bill of Human Rights that applies to all countries. It states:

'An intervention in the health field may only be carried out after the person concerned has given free and informed consent to it'

This principle is currently ***not protected*** in the draft Human Rights and Anti-Discrimination Bill that was tabled on 21st February 2013 and current government vaccination policies violate this principle. Current court cases are deciding in favour of vaccination children when parents disagree on this issue.

The right for healthy individuals to choose to use a medical procedure without pressure from governments is a fundamental human right that is enshrined in the modern human right to bodily integrity. Yet the Australian Government is using coercion in the workplace and with financial incentives to insist on the uptake of vaccines that have been recommended in government policies for *healthy* individuals. The government adds new vaccines to the government schedule each year for diseases that are a low risk to the majority of children. It is time for the public to get involved in this debate.

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