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To: [Legal Affairs and Community Safety Committee](#)
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Having been to a public information session I express the following concerns.

My primary concern is with the potential for those seeking and able to avoid scrutiny because they are non public entities. I believe Catholic schools are exempt on that basis and therefore children using those education services are not protected under this legislation and that those Bishops wishing to avoid accountability are moving their business to the safe haven of QLD. Exemptions should not function to provide a safe haven for those providing public services such as education to avoid accountability at the same standard as that which applies to public entities.

The absence of recourse to court of law unless piggybacked to other legislation is unacceptable especially when some express view that current Anti-Discrimination legislation has not offered adequate protections that prevent the inequalities experienced by many First Nation Australians.

We need an enforceable “stand alone cause of action” to enable people to take a complaint to the courts or tribunal for a legally binding funding when their rights are limited. Access to remedy is also important.

Your sincerely
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