

Youth Justice (Boot Camp  
Orders) & Other Legislation  
Amendment Bill 2012  
Submission 051

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Please find below my submission in relation to the proposed amendment to the Anti-Discrimination Act 1991, introduced to Parliament in the Youth Justice (Boot Camp Orders) and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2012.

I am against this amendment being passed.

I am a legal sole operator sex worker. I also rent a home where I run a non sex based small business. I hold grave concerns for the future safety of my home if this amendment is passed. I have created a comfortable home environment and nice home based business and I am afraid that this will be taken away from me should this amendment come to be.

My understanding is that this amendment covers all manners of accommodation and is not restricted to motels, which is where this all began with a sex worker winning a QCAT case against a motel in Moranbah. Many sex workers rent and many live where they work. I am not prepared to give up my work as suggested by Mr Bleijie in a recent media interview. Link for reference: <http://www.abc.net.au/news/2012-11-02/hoteliers-given-power-to-evict-sex-workers/4350560>

The fact that the Queensland Government is even entertaining the idea of a legislation amendment that discriminates against a unique group of people is beyond me and not only me, every person I speak to about it. It also seems that non sex based businesses could be refused accommodation and given the current wording, this could be motels or rental homes.

For accommodation providers to be legally allowed to treat us unfavourably in relation to accommodation is abhorrent and to choose a minority group to do this to is simply unacceptable.

I am objecting not because I am a sex worker but because I am a human being. I would object if you chose another minority group to discriminate against as well as it's just not right.

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