

ACTIVISTS PROPOSE THERAPY BAN IN TASMANIA

A report by the Tasmanian Law Reform Institute has proposed oppressive restrictions on parents' and medical practitioners' ability to offer best care to children and their patients.

The Tasmanian Premier said that he supports "acting on the recommendations of the Law Reform Institute report".

The TLRI report recommends restrictions that would criminalise parents, religious workers and medical practitioners if they portray a "protected attribute" as a fault that is changeable or should be changed.

"The report dismissed expert testimony and global evidence of physical and mental harm done to children through transition treatments," said FamilyVoice spokesman Peter Stevens.

"FamilyVoice is supporting a parliamentary e-petition in Tasmania which upholds the right of parents and medical professionals to offer care that explains all the evidence of life-limiting choices."

People could change genders every 12 months in Queensland

Queensland could soon allow people to change their gender every 12 months, if the government moves on proposals flagged by the state Attorney General in June.

The *Herald Sun* reported that two women's groups were told in June that the Justice Department was considering removing sex from birth certificates, and allowing people to choose any 'inoffensive' descriptor instead.

FamilyVoice Queensland Director Andrew McColl said, "Bureaucratic ideology cannot

change the fact that a girl is a girl, and a boy is a boy."

"It's not possible to change sex."

The Queensland Government should stop pretending people can, and not allow biological men to use women's private spaces," he added.

FamilyVoice is running an online campaign to the Queensland Premier, asking her to "drop this silly gender change nonsense, and protect women". Go to FamilyVoice.org.au/campaigns for more details.

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CANCEL CULTURE: 1 in 4 Aussies forced to hide their views

Almost 25 percent of Australians and over 40 per cent of those born since 1997 are self-censoring their political and social views, according to a new McCrindle report.

Young Australians are most likely to hide their true beliefs out of fear of cancel culture, according to a "Cancel Culture" report produced by demographer Mark McCrindle who has been a webinar guest of FamilyVoice.

The report looked at the views of more than 1,000 Australians and found that close to half of younger Australians reported struggling to "be their authentic self for fear of judgment or exclusion".

"The fact that one in four Australians have to hide their beliefs on social issues, public policy and even the political party they support highlights the challenges we face in our public discourse," Mark McCrindle said.

Commentator Rita Panahi said, "Constant self-censoring is unhealthy for the individual and society."

Mark Latham said he regularly hears from public servants who are subjected to political correctness but fear they cannot speak out.

"They say to me I'm here to make the trains run on time, make schools better and so on — but they have to do these woke ceremonies, courses and activities that don't solve any problems or else they'll lose their job."

Australian government to give up power to block euthanasia

The new Federal minister for territories, Kristy McBain, says Labor will table a bill in July to surrender federal powers that block the ACT and Northern Territory from moving euthanasia bills.

FamilyVoice spokesperson Greg Bondar said, "The move unfortunately will reverse a 25-year ban on the territories enacting such legislation. In 1997, the Howard-government minister Kevin Andrews overturned the NT's troubled 1995 legislation on the matter.

"A 2018 bid to overturn that federal law was narrowly defeated, but the former ACT chief minister Katy Gallagher is now attempting another bill."

FamilyVoice is campaigning that Labor party grants its members a "conscience" vote, especially as it is a private member's



FamilyVoice webinar guest
Mark McCrindle

Christian advocacy group FamilyVoice Australia is urging schools to ensure they give opportunity for diverse expression, instead of operating as "politically-correct bubble zones" that stifle expression.

"Parents must rise up to insist our schools stop functioning as politically-correct bubble zones that do not allow respectful, free and diverse expression," said FamilyVoice spokesman David d'Lima.

Sall Grover, whose female-only chat app platform Giggle was taken to federal court by woke activists, said people need to stop giving in so easily.

"Cancel culture is a psychological game," she said.

"The most important thing to do is keep speaking."



Encouraging Christians in Victoria

FamilyVoice Victoria Director Peter Stevens has encouraged a growing group of Christian activists across Victoria, as they work together prior to the state election.

In his address to the group, Mr Stevens said that the November state election will be a defining moment in state's history.

"The war against Christianity and families has escalated through the Labor-Reason-Greens and Animal-Justice government, while Coalition opposition has collapsed," he said.

"Legal academic Dr Rocco Loiacono says 'Conservatism is considered unattractive ... collective assets: peace, freedom, law, civility, public spirit, the security of property and family life ... are easily destroyed, but not easily created ... the work of destruction is quick, easy and exhilarating, the work of creation slow, laborious and dull ... Conservatives suffer a disadvantage when it comes to public opinion. Their position is true but boring, that of their opponents exciting but false. In order to appease the excitement of their opponents ... the Liberals (and others) have lost sight of what is good and true, and this may well put their existence in doubt. Ultimately, rather than pick a poor imitation [of goodness], voters will go for the real thing every time.'"

Mr Stevens encouraged Christians to work to directly offer physical support to individual candidates in the upper house.

"The best use of our resources is to support chosen upper house candidates and have them elected, securing a conservative voice and perhaps, God willing, holding the balance of power in Victoria for the next four years.

FamilyVoice pro-life launch in South Australia

South Australian FamilyVoice Director David d'Lima recently launched the 365Life scheme in Adelaide, at a dinner celebrating the recent US Supreme Court pro-life reform.

"Each 365Life card is like a voice from heaven, encouraging women to keep their unborn babies," David d'Lima told the meeting of pro-life supporters on 1st July.

"Women planning abortion often long to hear a heavenly indication to keep the baby - and these cards can be that sign," he said.

Hundreds of people across the nation are placing 365Life cards, to help spread the pro-life message.

During the meeting, David d'Lima described the challenge of shaping the culture along with the judiciary, in the fight to protect the unborn.

"The battle to overturn Roe versus Wade took nearly five decades, in the same way that William Wilberforce and others laboured for fifty years to bring release to the slaves," he said.

"The battle to defeat slavery was won as sugar bowls on kitchen tables featured

messages about the humanity of each slave, and eventually the parliament legislated on the basis of the cultural change.

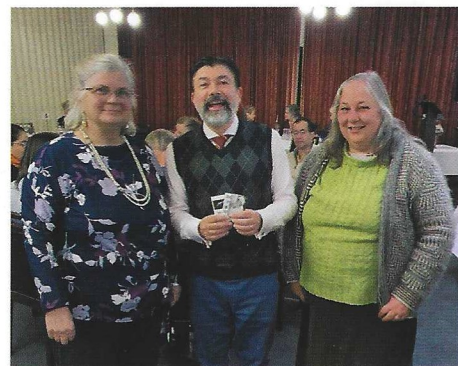
"Attempts to shape the judiciary and the legislature must be matched by shifting social thinking, and the 365Life cards are part of that change," he said.

The meeting also heard from Dr Toni Turnbull who shared about the many women who have opted to keep their unborn babies, after requesting an abortion from her, because Dr Turnbull invited them to consider matters of the heart, not just the head.

"I tell women there is no hurry to make such an important decision and I invite them to listen to the inner voice," she said.

"The inner voice always spoke, telling them that the baby must be received," she said.

Also present at the dinner was Poppy



FamilyVoice SA Director David D'Lima with Dr Toni Turnbull and Poppy Vivian

Vivian of ProLifeSA who for many years has commended words provided by children's author Dr Seuss - A person is a person not matter how small.

"Poppy will be pleased that some of the 365Life cards feature that pro-life message," David d'Lima said.

But on the same evening, protestors gathered in the Adelaide CBD to voice their anger at the US Supreme Court.

"We are disappointed by that protest, especially as it tried to name and shame the pro-life cause in South Australia," David d'Lima said.

"The anger and outrage of the pro-choice protesters clearly indicates their consciences are very unsettled by the just decision of the US Supreme Court," David d'Lima said.

LNP may review extreme abortion laws in QLD

In a statement that surely gives hope to thousands of pro-life supporters in Queensland, the Queensland State Opposition Leader, David Crisafulli, has refused to rule out a review of the State's abortion laws, should the LNP win government at the 2024 Queensland election.

The LNP went to the 2020 State election, promising to review the legislation if elected, and 80% of those members are in the Parliament today. According to the Brisbane Times (9/7/2022), Mr Crisafulli acknowledged that this would not be a "party policy position," as it is a matter of "life and death," so this was for individuals to decide, and that "this was the best way that that should be conducted."

Unfortunately, the Labor Party's Attorney General Shannon Fentiman, later concluded that this meant that the LNP "would always be a threat" to women's reproductive rights.

Presently, abortion is available on request in Queensland, up till 22 weeks gestation, and after this, a second doctor must be consulted. Clearly, the LNP is offering a far better alternative, for those seeking safety for the child in the womb.

There are other factors that should be considered in the light of Mr Crisafulli's comments. Firstly, while the Labor government was returned under Anastasia Palaszczuk in 2020, with 52 of the 93 seats, there are more family friendly and pro-life members of Parliament, with the Katter Party now with 3 members, and One Nation having 1.



FamilyVoice Qld Director Andrew McColl meeting with pro-life Qld MP Robbie Katter, leader of Katter's Australia Party

Consequently, a swing to the LNP and minor parties of 12-14 seats in 2024, could grant them sufficient seats to form a government. This could well lead to a review of Queensland abortion laws.

State governments flag abortion review

A national approach to abortion laws was discussed at a meeting of the country's women's ministers in Adelaide in July.

All eight state and territory ministers are in favour of discussing a framework that would see each state "streamline" their abortion legislation and make the procedure more "accessible" for women.

Queensland Minister for Women Shannon Fentiman said such national "standards" would act as a bulwark against any future attempt to roll back abortion.

FamilyVoice has responded with an encouragement campaign to pro-life MPs, to strategise together on protecting babies.

WA Health Minister Jade Sanderson has said that the "ethics panel" review for post-20 week abortions was a early "concession" and is a "hurdle" to "safe abortions".

Ms Sanderson also flagged making changes that are "not legislative" including expanding the service hours of some abortion clinics.

The WA abortion review may remove the requirement for two doctors to "approve" an abortion prior to 20 weeks gestation.

FamilyVoice WA Director Darryl Budge said, "Pro-life supporters may use this opportunity to write to MPs to ask them to stop sex-selection abortions and require babies born alive to be giving life-sustaining treatment."

The WA Coroner has refused to appear before two parliamentary hearings to answer questions on law reform recommendations following a coronial investigation into babies left to die after they survived an abortion.



Activists agitate against appropriate care

As LGBT activists at organisations like Equality Australia and Amnesty International are campaigning for censorship of appropriate counselling of dysphoric people across Australia, future WA Code of Conduct regulations may attack good counselling.

WA Premier Mark McGowan has signalled openly in a 2021 letter to a constituent that his government "will ban the practise of conversion therapy through... the National Code of Conduct".

The WA Government has moved a 'Health Complaints' Bill to enact the National Code for Healthcare Workers, as agreed by COAG in 2015. It will be debated in the upper house in August. It is not known which definition of "conversion therapy" he meant, however, the Bill enacts interstate prohibition orders of the most extreme kind.

Under the Bill, the WA 'Health and

Disability Services Complaints Office' will have the power to fine and ban unregistered health care workers who have been issued a prohibition order (for "unnecessary" or "unacceptable care" etc.), or issued an interstate prohibition order, arising from Queensland, ACT and Victorian legislation that has unjustly banned evidence-based care.

FamilyVoice's WA Director said, "The exact detail on what is prohibited conduct is not yet known. We do know that senior WA Labor MPs have signalled their anti-reality belief that gender and sexuality identification is 'unchangeable'."

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