

Thursday, 27th July 2023

Submission of Michelle Anderson – draft Communications Legislation Amendment (Combatting Misinformation and Disinformation) Bill 2023

I **do not consent** to this proposed Communications Legislation Amendment (Combatting Misinformation and Disinformation) Bill 2023.

Under no circumstances should this Govt or any of their affiliated agencies seek additional power to censor FREE SPEECH, freedom of thought or expression in this, what is meant to be a FREE and DEMOCRATIC country. This is NOT communist China!

Scrap this proposed legislation immediately!

A true Australia is all about:

- freedom of expression
- freedom of speech
- freedom of movement
- freedom to protest unjust rules, laws and Govt activity

DO NOT allow the ACMA to gather information from digital platform providers, or require them to keep certain records about matters regarding misinformation and disinformation.

DO NOT enable the ACMA to request industry develop a code of practice covering measures to combat misinformation and disinformation on digital platforms, which the ACMA could register and enforce

DO NOT allow the ACMA to create and enforce an industry standard (a stronger form of regulation), should a code of practice be deemed ineffective in combatting misinformation and disinformation on digital platforms.

I ask YOU. *Who decides what is “misinformation” and “disinformation” anyway? Please provide information on who these people will be and their credentials and qualifications to make such judgements on content.*