

<html><head></head><body>I oppose the Communications Legislation Amendment Amendment (Combatting Misinformation and Disinformation) Bill 2023. <div>The reasons for my opposition are that:</div><div>
</div><div>It has no place in a real democracy where freedom of speech should be protected;</div><div>
</div><div>The arbiters of the meaning of the terms misinformation, disinformation and harm, are the government.</div><div>
</div><div>Restrictions on freedom of speech imposed by this bill do not apply to the government. </div><div>
</div><div>The government is seeking to give itself the power to regulate what it determines to be True.</div><div>
</div><div>This is the type of legislation we saw in Stalinist Russia and has no place in a democracy.</div><div>
</div><div>Best wishes</div><div>
</div><div>Peter Rotton</div><div>M: 0 [REDACTED]</div><div>E: [REDACTED]</div></body></html>