

- This bill will violate Australian's democratic and constitutional rights to freedom of speech.
- It blames the informer for the behaviour of the recipient by claiming that 'misinformation'/'disinformation' can cause people to do inappropriate things.
- It can be used to censor any information on any issue that any government does not approve now and in the future.
- It puts the development of a code of practice in the hands of the industry, leaving the general public out of the loop.
- No one government or agency has a monopoly on truth. Our perception of truth evolves over time with experience.
- It will silence dissenting experts.

Some of the questions that need to be asked about the Bill include these.

1. Who decides what constitutes 'misinformation'/'disinformation'? (Their qualifications, experience, ties with industry)
2. To whom and what products will it apply? (unhealthy foods/cosmetics?)
3. What process will be used for the government to determine what constitutes 'misinformation'/'disinformation'?
4. How will it monitor the developments in that area to update its understanding of information/disinformation in the future?
5. How will the government communicate to all Australians (of all ages, ethnicities, education levels and abilities) what they can and can't say in the future?