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The exposure draft of the Communications Legislation Amendment (Combating Misinformation and Disinformation) Bill 2023

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I object to the above bill - please do not pass this bill!

Misinformation, disinformation, harmful - words that can be interpreted any way you want! The interpretation of this bill is way too broad, this is dangerous to try and define these words. Who gets to define what is Harmful?

I believe you must allow the people to decide what they see and read, so we do not need a law to restrict our freedom of speech! People will always communicate and some will see this for bad or good depending on their point of view!
The mainstream media already blocks out the real world so we do not need any further censorship! Social media has allowed us to get a different perspective to the gossip and nonsense of the mainstream media!

The terms of this bill are far too broad and cannot be defined! Our government is protecting the wrong people – for only a totalitarian government would try to regulate the truth, as in the George Orwell Classic novel "1984".

Making people live in fear is the beginning of a fascist structure! The 1950's McCarthy-ism in America is being used here to scare Australians! ASPI is to blame for this! They are backed by American weapons companies; - whose main interest, is to push us into war. A real concern when you understand that there's a reason the American founding fathers enshrined freedom of speech in the US Constitution. It's the same reason that Article 19 of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, which Australia in 1948 helped to draft, states: "Everyone has the right to freedom of opinion and expression; this right includes freedom to hold opinions without interference and to seek, receive and impart information and ideas through any media and regardless of frontiers." When governments contrive pretexts to limit speech, they are heading down the dangerous path to totalitarianism.

Finally, I object to this Dangerous Law, because it does not do anything to improve Australian citizens lives!



