

My Submission on the Terrible Misinformation Bill

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Dear Misinformation Bill Review,

This proposed "Misinformation Bill" is disgraceful. Intended or not, it will damage free speech. Free speech is a non-negotiable human right and must be safeguarded.

The bill states that "misinformation" includes that which leads to 'harm', including psychological harm. But this is very subjective. What someone perceives as harmful, another may perceive as helpful, and something others need to hear for their own good. It is simply not possible for governments to police such subjectivity.

Australians have felt the encroaching restrictions on what they can and cannot say over the past several years. This proposed bill is an extreme version of this.

Our nation has engaged in too many wars to allow these restrictions to become law, some may abuse their freedom and some take it for granted but it must be rejected. For without it we are just like any Marxist country.

Like Russia, China, Afghanistan, just to name a few. Let us value our freedoms and protect our fought for and cherished freedoms.

