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To whom it may concern

I wish to submit an objection to the proposed "Online Safety Act" legislation. In particular Part 9 of the proposed legislation that is planning on financially punishing social media platforms and search engine providers who do not remove certain adult related content within a 24 hour deadline.

I am a professional Australian artist, performer and intimacy educator. I work with rope bondage, queer culture and the dynamics of intimacy in all of my work. I have built a 20+ year career in my practice which is now highly sought after in Melbourne, Australia-wide and internationally. My work is represented online through photography and video. Online is the most important point of communications and access for audiences and programmers to learn about and book my work. Without this, my business would fail.

The key points I wish to object to for the proposed legislation are:

-The online content scheme under Part 9 of the Bill should be removed as it is not related to issues of online safety and is likely to harm the livelihood of sex workers, adult media performers and adults-only businesses.

-The role of the eSafety Commissioner should be to focus on non-consensual, abusive and harmful content and not imagery of consensual sexual activity between adults.

Thank you for your time and taking these objections seriously

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