

To the decision makers,

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.

It is 2021, can we please all grow up and engage in open discourse about sex and sexuality? I own and Adult Retail Store, our focus is sexual health and wellness, we HELP people and your bill wants to impede our online presence and silence a voice of hope. Revitalising intimacy among couples is valid, sexual self-discovery and expression is valid, sexual recovery post medical trauma (prostate surgery, child birth, breast cancer removal, gender reassignment surgery) is valid, access to appropriate recovery tools (dilator kits, lubricants, and other sexual aids) is valid, sexual empowerment for rape victims is valid, education for safe sex practices is valid. Stop trying to repress the entire country and focus your efforts where it is genuinely needed. Regulation and protection for sex workers, performers and businesses like my own would be considerably more beneficial than criminalization and censorship. Have you lot learned nothing from history, prohibition era anyone? Educate, don't discriminate.

Regards, Monique Turmine