



Toni McLennan

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The Government chooses discrimination!

NSW Senate candidate for **Hear Our Voice**, Toni McLennan, has described the Government's decision to defer indefinitely any plans to address the recommendations raised in the Human Rights and Equal Opportunity Commission's (HREOC) Same Sex: Same Entitlements Report, as "disgraceful".

"The Government's decision not to proceed with the HEROC's report findings to give equal rights to same-sex couples sends a message to other Australians that there is something wrong with being lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender or inter-sex (LGBTI). What is wrong is that the Government is discriminating against and persecuting people for something they have no control over," Toni McLennan said.

"The Government is discriminating against the LBGTI community in favor of the religious vote. And the Labor Party's quietness in regard to this issue should concern all LGBTI people.

"The LGBTI community is politically weak because it is not unified. If the LGBTI community was to unite it would become a real political force this election and be able to have candidates elected to the Senate and the House of Representatives who will genuinely fight for their rights," Toni McLennan said.

Hear Our Voice is campaigning to remove all discrimination in the law and in society for LGBTI people.

"LGBTI people deserve a strong voice in parliament, not just words from insincere politicians because they want the LGBTI vote in the upcoming election.

"On election day we must stop ticking a box above the line on the ballot paper and hoping for the best – look where that has got us! We need to make better choices, and we need different voices in parliament, not more of the same," Toni McLennan declared.

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