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*Dear Mr Scott*

I refer to media reports that say you “will oversee a review of the state’s flagship sex education resource, following revelations that many of its lessons are based on highly contested theories around gender and sexuality.”

Many parents and others were disgusted to read the disgraceful content of the front page article, The Australian Newspaper, September 7, 2016 “Schools told to teach kids that sex varies like the weather”

In the national interest, CNI has been strongly lobbying for the defunding and discontinuance of the Safe Schools Coalition Australia (SSCA) so-called anti-bullying programs in all States and Territories.

We say in the national interest because SSCA is not an anti-bullying program but is a dishonest charade. Ros Ward (La Trobe University) the architect of the SSCA is on record as saying “SSCA is not about stopping bullying” .... “it’s about gender and sexual diversity. About same sex attractive, about being transgender etc.” .... “it’s part of a broader Marxist strategy to change society.”

These ‘education’ programs are part of a process that is breaking down our western society and cultural values. This breakdown leads to the rise of people like Donald Trump as someone who, in the hopeful belief of everyday citizens, will restore their society to the values they grew up with and respect. Also, education authorities have a responsibility and obligation to teach programs based on fact.

In your review therefore, we urge that due regard be had for the fact that there is no scientific basis for the claims of gender fluidity or that “sexual orientation is an innate, biologically fixed human property – that people are born that way.”

We refer to the enclosed statement “Gender Ideology Harms Children – American College of Pediatricians and ‘Born that way’ far from being scientifically verified” as just two examples of the wealth of evidence supporting the claim of ‘no scientific basis.’ The report “Sexuality and Gender” authored by Dr Lawrence Mayer and Dr Paul McHugh and published in *The New Atlantis* and referred to in the article ‘Born that way’ has great integrity and would be invaluable in the review you are overseeing.

We argue that a proper outcome from your review would be to discontinue the SSCA program and all similar promotions of LGBTI from all schools in NSW. Further that you ensure that all schools in your State have effective anti-bullying programs based on respect for all students, respect for all teachers, respect for all management and staff and involving input from parents. Anti-bullying programs, which focus on one cohort do more harm than good.

We will welcome your response, please and will look forward to the outcome of the review.

*Sincerely*

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