LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF THE NORTHERN TERRITORY 13th Assembly

Petition

Registration No.	35
Title	Reforms to sex work laws
Presented on	Thursday 16 May 2019
Presented by	Member for Nelson (Mr Wood, MLA)
Referred to	Attorney-General and Minister for Justice and to the Social Policy Scrutiny Committee for consideration to debate
Assembly debate	If the Committee recommends the Petition be debated it will appear on the Notice Paper
Date referred	17 May 2019
Response due	16 October 2019
Response received	20 June 2019
Response to be presented	6 August 2019

Petition

We the undersigned stand against the proposed reforms to sex laws and stand for the Nordic Model to be implemented in the Northern Territory.

The exploitation of sex workers through the legislation of brothels is not and never will be acceptable.

We demand legislation that puts the welfare of sex workers at the centre and does not normalise exploitation as a cultural norm.

Response

Given that public consultation has only just closed, it would be premature to commit to the reform as outlined in the petition; however, the petitioners' views are noted.

I can advise that further information will be provided after full consideration of all submissions received during the consultation have been assessed.

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