

## Michael Stead

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**From:** Blossom Vickers  
**Sent:** Friday, 22 March 2019 10:06 AM  
**To:** Glenn Davies  
**Cc:** Michael Stead  
**Subject:** Response from Senator Rex Patrick: From The Office of The Archbishop of Sydney

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**From:** Pink, Amelia (Sen R. Patrick) <Amelia.Pink@aph.gov.au> **On Behalf Of** Patrick, Rex (Senator)  
**Sent:** Friday, 22 March 2019 9:25 AM  
**To:** Blossom Vickers <bev@sydney.anglican.asn.au>  
**Subject:** RE: From The Office of The Archbishop of Sydney

Dear Archbishop

Thank you for your letter to Senator Rex Patrick. I have been asked to respond on Senator Patrick's behalf.

Centre Alliance understands and respects the happiness that faith gives many members of the community and will be mindful of this in any decisions we make.

Centre Alliance does not support discrimination of students and teachers on the basis of their sexuality.

We need to make sure in removing any provisions we ensure that we preserve religious ability and the church's teachers doctrine.

You'll be aware that Centre Alliance slowed down the passage of the Sex Discrimination Amendment (Removing Discrimination Against Students) Bill 2018 in December in order for it to be referred to a Senate Committee for inquiry. It is our understanding that more work needs to be done on striking the right balance.

Thank you again for taking the time to write and I hope this information is of assistance.

Kind regards

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