I am writing to you to ask you to pass the HARD bill before the next election. I am a Transgendered Woman I work full time and pay my taxes, This bill needs to be passed because it is not right to discriminate against somebody because of the gender identity or sexual orientation. I know what it is like to be treated differently because of the fact that I happen to be Transsexual. It is very upsetting, some igroent people will say that it my fault because I chose to change, I chose to live if I had live a lie I would be dead because before I transitioned I was suicidal. I would like to be able to go out with my friends without being harassed and sexually assaulted by so called moral people. I would like to go to work and not be verbally abused by customers. I am a Christian and always have been and people that try to use Christianity to justify discriminating ageist L.G.B.T have no understanding of the religion they claim to follow. Please ensure that the law includes Relationship statutes so that non hetero people are protected and please use the 2012 Tasmanian definition of "Gender Identity" so that people like me are fully protected. Please do not let religious body's that take my tax dollars discriminate it is morally wrong, STOP giving them special rights that they DON'T deserve or at least make them disclose that they discriminate so the public and there followers are aware of that sad fact. Please appoint a position for a commissioner for L.G.B.T issues.

Regards Jessica Lancaster