

Ten Good Reasons the House of Lords should say No to Same Sex Marriage Bill.

Let's be fair about marriage

1. Intact biological families provide the Gold Standard for the wellbeing of children. (1)
2. Children have a right to be nurtured by both their biological parents.(2)
3. Gay parenting by definition denies a child from having one or both biological parents. (3)
4. Support for the Bill is based on the unfounded theory that people are genetically 'born gay'.(4)
5. Children will be told that adults can marry either a man or woman.(5)
6. Adolescents commonly experience same sex attraction: this does not mean they are gay. (6)
7. There is no evidence that SSM strengthens marriage. In Spain rates fell precipitously! (7)
8. Civil Partnerships already provide all the legal and financial benefits of Marriage.
9. 'EQUAL LOVE' leads to Unequal Marriage.(8)
10. Behind this Bill is a militant move to deny gender difference.(9)

Equal Love is Unequal!

1/ Regnerus M. *How different are the adult children of parents who have same-sex relationships? Findings from the New Family Structures Study.* Social Science Research (2012) 41: 752-770. Marks L. *Same-sex parenting and children's outcomes.* Soc. Sci. Res. (2012) 41: 735-751

2/ Article 9, UN Convention of Children's Rights

3/ See Centre for Social Justice Report on absent fathers in *Lone Parenting*, 10 June 2013

4/ Twin studies have demonstrated that the identical twin of a self-identified homosexual is usually heterosexual. See O'Callaghan D. *Beyond Critique*, Core Issues Trust (2013): 5-8

5/ 1996 Education Act, section 403;1

6/ Savin-Williams, R C & Ream, G L *Prevalence and Stability of Sexual Orientation Components During Adolescence and Young Adulthood.* Archives of Sexual Behavior (2007) 36: 385-394

7/ <http://www.publications.parliament.uk/pa/cm201213/cmpublic/marriage/memo/m94.htm>

8/ Consummation and adultery will not apply to homosexual couples

9/ "Queer Theory", which developed in 1990s, has been a driving force

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