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My name is [REDACTED]  
I wish to make a submission to the inquiry into anti-vilification protections.

I am happy for my submission to be public however ask that my be name withheld and not be published in any public forum .

As a administrator and also moderator on multiple Facebook pages and groups i would like to see legislative changes to prevent hate speach and trolling within online platforms. The anti bullying legislation already has the framework to make page owners, admins and moderators more accountable. Personally the pages im associated with actively shut down individuals who constantly initiate threads and troll comments online promoting hate speach.

I have recently left groups on Facebook and blocked individuals who are repeatedly making vile remarks about women leaders in our community. I have reported them to Facebook and also to the group administrator with no action taken.

I have tried to stand up to these individuals in the past only to be turned on and attacked myself. The fear of your friends and family becoming a target makes you not want to speak up.

This only gives them more of a voice because nobody shuts them down. I feel like administrators have a responsibility to take ownership of their pages and make it known that this behaviour is not acceptable.

Unfortunately at the moment the bullies and the trolls have all the power and the loudest voice.

Thankyou.