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On 24 July 2020 the Council of the ABA resolved to support the following amendments to the Sex Discrimination Act 1984:

SEX DISCRIMINATION ACT 1984 - SECT 28A

Meaning of Prohibition of sexual harassment

1) A person must not sexually harass another person.

~~(4)~~ (2) For the purposes of this Division, a person sexually harasses another person (the **person harassed**) if:

- (a) the person makes an unwelcome sexual advance, or an unwelcome request for sexual favours, to the person harassed; or
- (b) engages in other unwelcome **conduct of a sexual nature** in relation to the person harassed;

in circumstances in which a reasonable person, having regard to all the circumstances, would have anticipated the possibility that the person harassed would be offended, humiliated or intimidated.

~~(4A)~~ (2A) For the purposes of **subsection (1)**, the circumstances to be taken into account include, but are not limited to, the following:

- (a) the sex, age, **sexual orientation, gender identity, intersex status, marital or relationship status**, religious belief, race, colour, or national or ethnic origin, of the person harassed;
- (b) the relationship between the person harassed and the person who made the advance or request or who engaged in the conduct;
- (c) any **disability** of the person harassed;
- (d) any other relevant circumstance.

~~(2)~~ (3) In this section:

"**conduct of a sexual nature**" includes making a **statement** of a sexual nature to a person, or in the presence of a person, whether the **statement** is made orally or in writing.

Delete sections 28B-28L of the *Sex Discrimination Act 1984* (Cth) inclusive.

SEX DISCRIMINATION ACT 1984 - SECT 105

Liability of persons involved in unlawful acts

A person who causes, instructs, induces, aids or permits another person to do an act that is unlawful under Division 1 ~~or~~ 2 or 3 of Part II shall, for the purposes of this Act, be taken also to have done the act.