

JUSTICE COMMITTEE

HATE CRIME AND PUBLIC ORDER (SCOTLAND) BILL

SUBMISSION FROM JOHN C FRASER

As I understand it the Scottish government is planning to introduce a new law governing "hate crime".

From what I can see this is ill-considered and poorly planned. The unintended consequences are really scary. I want to live in a free society with a mature government. I want laws to protect me from criminal acts, I don't want laws that turn honest, hard won freedoms into criminal acts.

We need to be free speak freely. We need to be able to express opinions and challenge things that need to be challenged.

Has the Scottish government got nothing better to do?

Thanks, John C Fraser.

John C Fraser
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