

JUSTICE COMMITTEE

HATE CRIME AND PUBLIC ORDER (SCOTLAND) BILL

SUBMISSION FROM DAVID MCCLEARY

The new stirring up hatred offences could be unwittingly committed by someone who did not intend to stir up hatred or even realise that their words could be considered abusive. Free speech is in danger in the free world, we cannot defend sensitive citizens from being offended at the cost of criminalising free speech.

David McCleary

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