

# National Human Rights Consultation Submission

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human rights submission

Hello,

There is something about a bill of rights that concerns me.  
I just think you need to be careful here.

For example you say on your page:

"we are free to follow whatever religion we want - this is our right to freedom of religion, and"

What do you do with a religion that promotes things that infringe on other rights? What if my religion says I need to kill another person? How can we follow any religion we want?

Also you need to be careful about discrimination. In some cases discrimination is necessary. When I choose a husband or wife I discriminate on looks, intelligence, sense of humour and so on.

I personally think employers also should have the right to discriminate on sex, race, religion, or even just on 'a person they like' (they are going to be working with this person after all) as well as skills, education, intelligence (which we regularly discriminate upon). Generally, if they are paying the wages, they can choose who to employ.

The not being able to discriminate infringes my right to employ who I want. And so on. Rights are hard to legislate.

The idea of a formal legalisation of human rights concerns me.

Rights is a western and individualistic way of thinking. I think coming from an attitude of what is best for the other person and the community is better.

These things are hard to work out, but a justice system that works for fairness and justice is good.

I have no education in this area so forgive my lack of eloquence and perhaps half formed ideas.

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