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## **Labor Commits to a Religious Discrimination Bill in First Term of Government**

The FamilyVoice webinar 'How in Gods Name Should I Vote' highlighted the need for a religious discrimination bill.

Senator Deborah O'Neill confirmed that "Labor supports the extension of the federal anti-discrimination framework to ensure that Australians are not discriminated against because of their religious beliefs or activities – just as Commonwealth law currently prohibits discrimination on the basis of age, disability, race, sex, gender identity, sex characteristics and sexual orientation" and further stressed that "If elected, a Labor Government will bring legislation to protect people from discrimination on the grounds of faith before Parliament in our first term."

"The Prime Minister's promise of a religious discrimination bill in his first term of government has failed dismally with all Coalition Ministers now operating, in the lead up to the federal elections, under a 'cone of silence' on this vital and much needed legislation for the 14 million or so Australians who identify as Christians," said Greg Bondar, FamilyVoice spokesman.

Meanwhile, the Leader of the Opposition's [Statement on Religious Discrimination Legislation](#) confirms that a future Labor government will "protect... the right of religious schools to preference people of their faith in the selection of staff"

Mr Morrison, where is your commitment?

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