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NSS welcomes equality protections for NI teachers

Posted: Fri, 25 Mar 2022

Legislation banning religious discrimination against teachers in schools has unanimously passed the Northern Ireland Legislative Assembly, and is expected to come into force in the next two years. [Read More »](#)

NSS calls for better free speech protection in NI hate crime reform

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The National Secular Society has warned proposed reforms to Northern Ireland's hate crime laws could undermine free speech. [Read More »](#)

NSS event to explore future of inclusive education in N Ireland

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An NSS online conference will bring together reformers, politicians and academics to set out a secularist vision for education in NI. [Read More »](#)

Don't let religion enable violence against women in NI, NSS says

Posted: Tue, 01 Mar 2022

The NSS has warned the NI Executive that conservative religious teachings may play a role in abuse and violence against women and girls. [Read More »](#)

Roll back religious privilege in NI education, says NSS

Posted: Wed, 09 Feb 2022

The NSS has told an education panel in NI that removing religious privilege is necessary to ensure inclusivity in schools. [Read More »](#)

NSS backs proposals to modernise NI marriage laws

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The NSS has backed plans to enable non-religious 'belief marriages' and crack down on forced marriage in Northern Ireland. [Read More »](#)

Two inclusive education bills progress in NI Assembly

Posted: Thu, 20 Jan 2022

Two bills supported by the NSS that would make education in Northern Ireland more inclusive have progressed in the assembly. [Read More »](#)

NSS backs moves to promote integrated education in NI

Posted: Wed, 13 Oct 2021

The NSS has backed legislation in the Northern Ireland Assembly calling on the government to actively promote integrated education. [Read More »](#)

Bill to speed up integration of education in NI progresses

Posted: Thu, 08 Jul 2021

A bill which would ensure almost all new schools in Northern Ireland were integrated has passed its second reading at Stormont. [Read More »](#)

Laws requiring exclusively Christian RE to face court challenge in NI

Posted: Thu, 24 Jun 2021

Northern Ireland's High Court has allowed a challenge to laws requiring confessional RE and collective worship in all schools. [Read More »](#)

'Conversion therapy' charity shows need for reform in NI, says NSS

Posted: Fri, 23 Apr 2021

The NSS has called for the removal of 'the advancement of religion' as a charitable purpose in Northern Ireland in response to a review. [Read More »](#)

Bill seeks to end religious discrimination against teachers in NI

Posted: Wed, 21 Apr 2021

The NSS will support a bill to end a legal exemption allowing religious discrimination against teachers in Northern Ireland. [Read More »](#)

NSS urges repeal of Northern Ireland blasphemy laws

Posted: Wed, 17 Mar 2021

The NSS has called on the Northern Ireland executive to repeal its "archaic" blasphemy laws. [Read More »](#)

Success: government won't extend same-sex marriage exemptions in NI

Posted: Fri, 17 Jul 2020

The government has confirmed businesses won't be able to refuse services for same-sex marriages in Northern Ireland after NSS lobbying. [Read More »](#)

Review status of charity promoting 'conversion therapy', NSS says

Posted: Wed, 13 May 2020

The NSS has urged NI's charity regulator to review the status of an organisation which promotes "change oriented therapy" for gay people. [Read More »](#)

Don't extend exemptions on same-sex marriage in NI, NSS warns

Posted: Thu, 05 Mar 2020

The NSS has warned that allowing providers of wedding services to opt out of serving same-sex couples would undermine equality law. [Read More »](#)

NSS: religion shouldn't restrict access to abortion in NI

Posted: Thu, 12 Dec 2019

The NSS has urged the UK government not to allow religion to limit women's access to abortions in Northern Ireland. [Read More »](#)

NSS welcomes legalisation of abortion & marriage equality in NI

Posted: Tue, 22 Oct 2019

The NSS has welcomed the legalisation of abortion in Northern Ireland and the extension of same-sex marriage rights to the province. [Read More »](#)

Research reveals impact of religious discrimination on NI teachers

Posted: Thu, 30 May 2019

Segregated education and legal discrimination are causing the "cultural encapsulation" of Northern Ireland's teachers, a report has said. [Read More »](#)

Commons passes bill and amendment on abortion in NI

Posted: Thu, 25 Oct 2018

The NSS has called for reform of Northern Ireland's abortion laws after MPs passed a bill and an amendment on the subject this week. [Read More »](#)

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