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FULL REPEAL OF 18C ONLY OPTION TO RESTORE FREE SPEECH

"The only proposal the Federal Cabinet should consider is the full repeal of 18C," says Simon Breheny, Director of Policy at the free market think tank, the Institute of Public Affairs.

"Tinkering with the administrative processes of the Australian Human Rights Commission are mere window dressing."

"The suggestion that the debate about freedom of speech in Australia could be 'put to bed' with anything other than full repeal of Section 18C is quite wrong," says Mr Breheny.

The Institute of Public Affairs made one of the most [comprehensive written submissions](#) to the Parliamentary Joint Committee on Human Rights freedom of speech inquiry, recommending that section 18C of the *Racial Discrimination Act 1975* (Cth) be repealed in its entirety. Mr Breheny, and IPA Senior Fellow Chris Berg also appeared before the committee to deliver expert testimony on 31 January 2017.

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