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The Scottish Government are consulting on Ending Conversion Practices in Scotland.

Conversion practices are when someone tries to change or suppress someone else's sexual orientation or gender identity, usually to try to stop them being lesbian, gay, bi or trans.

These practices do not work, but they often cause huge harm to the mental health and wellbeing of people subjected to them. We should all be able to live freely as our true selves, no matter who we are or who we love.

The Scottish Government are proposing a law that will ban conversion practices that are coercive and that cause physical or psychological harm. No LGBTQA+ person should be coerced to try to change or suppress who they are.

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At **Question 32** the consultation asks about potential impacts of the proposals on religion and belief. The proposals will not prevent anybody from holding, expressing or preaching any belief. They only apply where harm is done to a person in an attempt to change or suppress their sexual orientation or gender identity.

It is important that the Scottish Government hear from people of faith about their support for LGBTQA+ people. Let's let them know that people of faith support their proposals to finally end conversion practices in Scotland.

Go to www.equality-network.org/ECP for info on how to respond to the consultation – you don't need to answer every question, and it can be done in a few minutes!

