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Submitted to Display of Flags and Emblems - Call for Evidence
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Clause 1: Removal of flags or emblems in the public interest

6 Do you agree with Clause 1 of the Bill?

Yes

7 Please provide information to support your answer here

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Yes buy only to apply to paramilitary flags. Not country flags

Clause 2: Sensitive places

8 Do you agree with Clause 2 of the Bill?

Unsure

9 Please provide information to support your answer here

Accessible:

Who decides what is offensive? No paramitary flags. Union flag reflects constitutional status of ni. Ok at controlled schools. No irish flags anywhere.

Clause 3: Procedure for / notification of, or giving views on, flags or emblems

10 Do you agree with Clause 3 of the Bill?

Unsure

11 Please provide information to support your answer here

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Activists on both sides will recruit large numbers to plead their case.

Clause 4: Code of Practice

12 Do you agree with Clause 4 of the Bill?

Yes

13 Please provide information to support your answer here

Accessible:

Clause 5: Offence of obstructing the Department in removal of flag or emblem

14 Do you agree with Clause 5 of the Bill?

Unsure

15 Please provide information to support your answer here

Accessible:

Again who decides what is offensive? Some people find pride flags offensive. Will they be taken down?

Clause 6: Request for assistance from police

16 Do you agree with Clause 6 of the Bill?

Unsure

17 Please provide information to support your answer here

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Clause 7: Interpretation

18 Do you agree with Clause 7 of the Bill?

Unsure

19 Please provide information to support your answer here

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Clause 8: Commencement

20 Do you agree with Clause 8 of the Bill?

Unsure

21 Please provide information to support your answer here

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Clause 9: Short title

22 Do you agree with Clause 9 of the Bill?

Unsure

23 Please provide information to support your answer here

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This bill seems designed to have a go at protestants for displaying the union flag. Yes, there should definitely be no paramilitary flags allowed. Trying to regulate other flags will end up in a mess. Who decides what is offensive. Many people find the imposition of irish signs in their area as offensive as others find the union flag flying. Can they be removed.?Both are territory markers.