

Dr. Dobson, a Gay Conservative and a Liberal Feminist Agree: The Equality Act Is Bad

A gay conservative has written a scathing op-ed against the Equality Act, agreeing with both a liberal feminist and Focus on the Family founder Dr. James Dobson in their assessment of the proposed measure.

Brad Polumbo's op-ed, which appeared in *USA Today* Monday, reminds readers that the future of the Equality Act is uncertain. Even though the House passed the bill last week, and if it somehow squeezed through the GOP-controlled Senate, President Donald Trump could still veto it.

"And that would be the right thing to do, no matter what the backlash," Polumbo wrote. "From my vantage point as a gay conservative, I can see that the Equality Act goes too far for any level-headed gay rights advocate to support, and its blatant disregard for the basic right to religious freedom is appalling."

"The bill purports to protect LGBT Americans like me by prohibiting discrimination 'based on sex, sexual orientation and gender identity in areas including public accommodations and facilities, education, federal funding, employment, housing, credit and the jury system,'" he continues.

"On the surface, this sounds unobjectionable—after all, no one deserves to face discrimination. Yet the bill defined 'public accommodations' so loosely and called for regulations so sweeping that it would crush religious freedom and radically reshape American society," Polumbo noted.

In an interview with CBN News, the editor of the website Young Voices says he thinks it's true the mainstream LGBTQ activist community, which skews progressive, is fully behind the Equality Act.

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