

Free Speech Constitutional Amendment 2025

Preamble

Whereas some laws in SimDemocracy and some articles within the SimDemocracy Criminal Code currently violate the Constitution;

Section I

§1. Article 16 §3 shall be amended and shall now read, “No criminal conviction shall be made solely on the basis of speech and the exercising of free speech, except for speech which --

(a) demeans or dehumanizes persons based on their protected characteristics; or,

(b) which violates or attempts to violate the constitutional rights of other citizens.

For the purposes of §3(b), the existence of offense, or other distress, of another person caused by the exercising of free speech shall not be construed as a violation of constitutional rights of that person, unless such distress is serious, caused in an intentional and malevolent manner, and would also have affected the safety or well-being of a reasonable person.”

§2. Article 16 §3.1 shall be stricken and removed from the Constitution.

Authored and Signed,

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