

Review plea over Catholic teachers

Catholic schools in Scotland should lose the right to vet teachers' religion, say a human rights organisation.

The Equality and Human Rights Commission say they will also support any discrimination cases brought by Catholic teachers and have called on the Scottish Government to look again at current laws.

Under the 1980 Education (Scotland) Act, any teacher appointed to a post at a Catholic school in Scotland has to be approved according to their religious beliefs.

They must also provide a reference from a suitable person, with Catholic teachers needing one from a priest.

The Catholic Church in Scotland deny there is discrimination against non-Catholic teachers.