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Exonerating those convicted under Ireland's anti-gay laws

An Apology for Ireland's Anti-Gay Laws

The laws that criminalised homosexuality were repealed in 1993 after a European Court of Human Rights judgement.

Twenty five years later, in 2018, the Irish government apologised to those who had been convicted under those laws.

The State Apology acknowledged the 'chilling effect' the laws had 'on progress towards equality for the LGBT community', and the 'hurt and harm caused to those who were deterred by those laws from being open and honest about their identity with their family and in society and that this prevented citizens from engaging in civil and political live and deprived society of their full contribution'.

Have Your Say: How Do You Think Those Persecuted Under Those Laws Could Get Justice?

The Government have committed to exonerating people convicted under those laws by bringing in a scheme to disregard convictions for consensual sexual activity.

To make that exoneration as wide as possible, please take a little time to read and respond to the Department of Justice Public Consultation by **9th December 2022**.

