Subject: Re: Freedom of Religion? Posted by R315r4z0r on Wed, 15 Oct 2008 04:26:55 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

You should of stopped at the word "risks." Because up until there I can agree with you.

But the rest of your post just went downhill. I don't like it as much as you don't like it, if not more, but I respect other's rights, as well as my own, enough to not question their actions or reasons.

But anyway, back onto the actual topic. It is a bit of a dilemma. The reason why there is a freedom of religion is because people from other countries were persecuted for following different religions. America is supposed to be a place were someone can take any religion and practice it any way they want without being discriminated against. However, some times religions can lead to breaking the law. But if someone is arrested for doing something like that, then that means the right "freedom of religion" is a lie.

So which is why I think that instead of religion requirements, the right of freedom of religion and any laws they might conflict with be completely separate.

What I mean is this: you are free to practice any religion you want without being discriminated or persecuted. However, if you are caught doing something illegal, whether you are following your religion or not, you would be arrested. You would be arrested for breaking the law, and breaking the law alone. The fact you were following your religion would have nothing to do with it.

To put it into a perspective: If you follow a religion in which it involves dismemberment of human parts, you cannot be arrested or persecuted for doing so. If you literally act and follow through with the dismemberment of human parts, then for that you can be arrested, as something that has nothing to do with religion.

Doing such allows the freedom of religion and still guarantees it, but it also upholds such laws and rights of the individual without conflicting between the two rights.

Like I said above, actions are not one in the same with consequences. You are free to do what you like, but consequences can and will be implied if needed.

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