

# Looking for Hate in All the Wrong Places

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**Quote**

“ Unlike the situation in the Jim Crow South, there is no evidence that state and local officials are ignoring bias-motivated crimes. The hate crime bill, which authorizes federal prosecution whenever the Justice Department perceives a bigoted motive and believes the perpetrator has not been punished severely enough, continues the unfortunate tendency to federalize crimes that are properly the business of state and local governments, just so legislators like Pelosi can show they care.”

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This item argues against the position Act should be passed on the topic Local Law Enforcement Hate Crimes Prevention Act of 2007.

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