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Act No. 34 (H.428). Crimes and criminal procedures; hate crimes

An act relating to hate-motivated crimes and misconduct

This act amends the statute related to hate-motivated crimes to clarify that the victim's actual or perceived protected category or categories need not be the predominant reason or the sole reason for the defendant's conduct in order to be subject to the enhanced penalty under the statute.

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