Commentary on the SCRACH

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1 Preamble

The SCRACH is without doubt the most important law on the manners of humour that has been passed in the last thousand years. The first reading took place on 11/11/1111 in the Supreme Manic Fun Congress, but the law was rejected by the Vizier of Fun. Only after the ludicrous, Manic Fun monarchy was transformed into a representative, witty monarchy by W. Itzbold, on 9/9/1999 was the way finally clear for this law.

2 Analysis

This is one of the most central statements of the law. It is so fundamental that it is quite appropriate to bow to the wisdom of the authors.

§ 1 No Joke without an Audience

A joke can only be funny if is has an audience.

§ 2 Humor of a Culture

(1) The humour of a joke can be determined by the cultural environment in which it is told. (2) The humour of a joke can be determined by the cultural environment in which it acts.

The cultural component of a joke is, in fact, not negligible. Although the political correctness of using the cultural environment can easily be disputed, nonetheless the accuracy of such comedy in the appropriate environment is striking. On the other hand, a supposed joke in the wrong cultural environment can also be a real danger for the joke teller.