



*Legalizing Homosexual Conduct:
The Wolfenden Report and the
Sexual Offences Act 1967*



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The Sexual Offences Act 1967 decriminalised sexual relations in private between consenting men over the age of 21. It represents a clear and interesting example of the workings of the law of unintended consequences; the impact of utilitarianism in policy-making; the practice of double-speak in political debate; and the part played by the Church of England in framing moral questions.

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