

A propos de *L'État et les religions en France* de Philippe Portier. Une lecture de jurist

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Abstract: The subtitle of Philippe Portier's book *L'État et les religions en France* is *Une sociologie historique de la laïcité*. The purpose is laïcité (secularism) as the means for French authorities to regulate religions and religious practices. As Portier demonstrates, French laïcité did not start in 1905, but it is an historical process originated in French national revolution (1789), consisting in 3 periods (juridictionalism 1789-1905, separatism 1905-1960, partnership model 1960-). From a methodological point of view, the main interest of Portier's book is that it combines the classical historical and sociological approach of laïcité with a strong analysis of its legal basis.

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