

# Bruce Hornsby, The Way It Is

Standing in line marking time  
Waiting for the welfare dime  
'Cause they can't buy a job  
A man in a silk suit hurries by  
As he catches the poor old ladies' eyes  
Just for fun he says "get a job"

That's just the way it is  
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Ah - But don't you believe them

They say hey little boy you can't go  
Where the others go  
'Cause you don't look like they do  
Said hey old man how can you stand  
To think that way  
Did you really think about it  
Before you made the rules  
He said, Son

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Well they passed a law in '64  
To give those who ain't got a little more  
But it only goes so far  
Because the law don't change another's mind  
When all it sees at the hiring time  
Is the line on the color bar

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