

Bruce Hornsby **"The Way It Is"**

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(B. R. Hornsby)

Lead vocal - Bruce Hornsby

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Musicians: Bruce Hornsby - piano, synthesizer

Hammered dulcimer. David Mansfield - guitar

Mandolin, violin, George Marinelli - electric/acou

Guitars, Joe Puerta - bass & vocals, John

Molo - drums, percussion.

Produced by Bruce Hornsby & Elliot Scheiner

Album: 'The Way It Is' PCD1-5904 Zappa Productions

Standin' in line marking time

Waiting for the welfare dime

'Cause they can't buy a job

The man in the silk suit hurries by

As he catches the poor old lady's eyes

Just for fun he says, 'Get a job'

That's just the way it is

Some things'll never change

That's just the way it is

Ha, but don't you believe them

Said, '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

That's just the way it is

Some things'll never change

That's just the way it is'

Ha, but don't you believe them

Ooo, yeah (instrumental)

(That's just the way it is)

(That's just the way it is)

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

That's just the way it is
Some things'll never change (right)
That's just the way it is
That's just they way it is, it is, when you're waiting.

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