I am writing this in support of HB 1144 protecting free speech from censorship by social media platforms. I, personally, have been censored. I have also reported people who have been guilty of more egregious violations of the same "community standards" policy, who were not censored, because they were espousing a liberal point of view.

This is dangerous to our republic, not to mention the danger to outspoken people who dare to try to reform our government and our media companies. Why do they want us silenced? We are dangerous, not because we are wrong, but because we are right and threaten their stranglehold on the free and open exchange of information, ie... power and control.

I am generally NOT for the heavy hand of government, but until the playing field is leveled, and free speech – even that which is offensive – is protected. "Truth" will be whatever Facebook, Google, Youtube, and the rest, say it is. And THAT is right out of 1984.