

## House Human Services Committee

Good morning,

I would like to take this moment to share my **opposition to SB 2260**.

**I am both a high school social studies teacher and a mother to 3 young boys.** While I certainly agree that parents have rights when it comes to raising their children, I also believe that teachers have a job to do when it comes to teaching our children and if this bill were to pass it would most certainly hinder that process.

**Teachers are overwhelmed** and adding this much additional strain and workload will break many. **We will have a teacher shortage crisis** on our hands that is even worse than what we already have.

**Teachers are professionals** and should be trusted to do their jobs. If there is a problem with a specific lesson or teacher that should be **addressed individually** rather than with blanket legislation like this.

Throughout our lives we are going to be confronted with information that we may not agree with or may not even feel comfortable with, but knowing how to handle that is an important life skill. If parents are worried about topics being discussed and taught in classes, they need to talk to their children and share their beliefs and values concerning those topics rather than preventing them from hearing another viewpoint.

Worry more about what kids are watching, listening to, and learning online than what they are learning in my classroom---I guarantee there is no comparison.

Sincerely,

Katy Drader