

House Judiciary Committee

I am writing in opposition to HB 1333 which appears to be a bill designed to protect minors from exposure to obscene adult-oriented performances. Since there is already a law in place which prohibits the promotion of obscenity to minors, this bill is not needed and the time it will take to go through the legislature is a waste of time and taxpayer's dollars. It appears that this bill is instead an attack on drag queens and family centered drag performances as they are listed alongside topless dancers, go-go dancers, exotic dancers and strippers. I can tell you that male or female impersonators can perform adult-oriented material, but can also be very family friendly performing songs from Disney or other favorite children's music. As the bill is written, it is difficult to determine whether a performance by the likes of Bob Hope, Robin Williams, Eddie Murphy, John Travolta, or Dustin Hoffman dressed up as a woman would be considered in violation of this bill. I ask you to give this bill a Do Not Pass recommendation.

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