

Senate Bill 2360 – Library Censorship

As a daily user of public libraries in North Dakota for research and entertainment, I urge you to vote against passage of Senate Bill 2360, an attack on Freedom of Speech.

I am appalled this bill and urge you to vote against it. Its language is so broad as to even ban the Bible, Greys Anatomy, Leonardo DaVinci drawings, medical textbooks, romance novels, most art books, and other staples of our public libraries.

You have every right to protect your children from reading books you think are inappropriate, but you have no right to tell me, my children, and my grandchildren what we should be reading. Banning books in public libraries and schools will not fix whatever problem you are trying to solve, because smartphones and the internet can access all these things you propose to rip from our public institutions. What a waste of time and money when the state has so many other pressing issues to solve!

I raised my children to make good choices. I trust you can do the same, but I suggest you home-school your kids, take away their phones and computers, and keep them chaperoned until they are adults if you really think naughty language and pictures are so dangerous. Please focus on other matters of importance to North Dakota and leave fringe politics to Florida.