

It is with great concern that I contact you today in opposition to SB2123. This bill is set to criminalize the work of library employees. As library employees we work under the guidelines of the American Library Associations' Intellectual Freedom Act. It is this act that states it is the right of every person to seek and receive information about any topic from multiple points of view. It includes the right to hold, receive, and share ideas and information. All people have the right to intellectual freedom, including children and teenagers, and it should not be a crime to bring displays of certain topics to our community. It should however be each individual family who has the right to determine which library resources are acceptable for their own children and it should not be the legislature making that decision for them. It should also be the right of every librarian to display their collection in such a manner that the taxpayers, whose money was used to purchase those books, have a clear representation of all materials held within the library. Please stand with me in opposition of SB2123. Thank you.

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