To the attention of Chairman Diane Larson and members of the Judiciary Committee,

My name is Rory Gabel from Valley City, father of 5, and grandfather of 4. I am writing to you in support of SENATE BILL NO. 2123 relating to displaying objectionable materials or performance to minors; and to provide a penalty.

I have been an active user of the Valley City/Barnes County Public Library for over 55 years. My children also frequented the library with my oldest daughter reading nearly every book in the Children's part of the library located in the downstairs part of the library. At the age of 10 or 11 she wanted more, so at the suggestion of the librarian she was encouraged to use the upstairs part of the library (Adult) with no restrictions, she could check out any book and peruse any and all books.

At that time books like "Let's Talk About It" were not in the library and the past Library Director Mary Fisher would not have allowed that filth in our library.

On the other side, those that are in favor of no restrictions on the books that are placed in the library, call it book burning if a certain book is not allowed. That is a ridiculous stance to take. They say if you can find it on the internet then it should be allowed in the libraries.

Information/books on bomb-making are on the internet, should those be on our shelves?

Please Support SENATE BILL NO. 2123 Thank you, Rory Gabel-Valley City ND