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*My name is Susan Draper and I reside in District 1, of Williston, ND I am asking that you please render a DO PASS on Senate Bill 2123.*

*This law already exists in the State of North Dakota, Senate Bill 2123 is merely adjusting the language used to protect minors, and people under the age of 18 years of age, from sexually explicit material. As North Dakota Century Code 12.1-27.1 Obscenity Control stands today, it is illegal to willfully display objectionable materials to minors in all places of public except a bona fide school, college, university, museum, public library, or art gallery. Why are public schools excluded from this? Where are my parental rights when my child is being exposed to this type of material? We have trusted the school districts and government officials to make sure our kids are not exposed to this type of material. Students have restrictions on everything in the school but their reading material. When have you ever said the movie was better than a book? Did you know that there currently is not a rating on books, like there is for movies? Parents are the ones that rate movies for the movie industry, and this should be a movement that we as a state and country do in the future.*

*There is a book excerpt in your pile of testimonies that couldn't even be made into a movie because it would be considered promoting child porn. Take this into consideration as you read and listen to these testimonies.*

*Children who learn health and human biology will not be subdued to learning loss because basic human academics do not include material that is "presented in a manner to exploit sex, lust or perversion".*

*Thank you for your consideration of this important matter and for your service to the state of North Dakota.*

*Susan Draper*