Mariah Bates Williston, North Dakota House Bill 2123

Members of the Senate Education Committee,

My name is Mariah Bates and I reside in District 1. I am asking that you please render a DO PASS on Senate Bill 2123.

I am a resident of Williston North Dakota and have learned about and read the long list of books in our school district, and across our state, that are blatantly obscene and are somehow available to children to check out. The idea of distributing obscenity to minors in a school setting is obscene in itself.

The descriptions found within these books have horrifying and disgusting details that make your stomach flip. Many of these scenes described would not even be allowed in a Rated R movie, they would be labeled X rated, or, for some of these books it would be flagged as child pornography! I can not even begin to fathom the idea that there may be people who are for the availability of these books, it makes me sick.

Something needs to be done. North Dakota need to take a stand for our children, our families, our state, and our country by not allowing obscenity such as these book to be distributed to minors.

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

Mariah Bates