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Senate Bill 2123 bill could be a threat to teenagers' and minor's education. In many coming to age stories, there is almost always a description of sex, lust, or perversion. These parts of books are crucial for teenagers to learn about sex and other feelings that they are not taught about in school. It can help teenagers understand these feelings they may be experiencing and let them know that others feel or do these actions as well. Not only is this part of books educational, but they are also found in the majority of books, in coming-of-age books, mystery, thriller, and romance. If we banned these books, it could make students not want to read as much because of the limited choices. Teenagers should be able to read whatever they want, growing up adults always pressed me to read more, why are we trying to stop kids from reading books now?