

Libraries in North Dakota are experiencing increasing usage each year, with more visitors, program attendees, and library card registrations. The North Dakota Library Association firmly believes that SB 2307 is an unnecessary bill that would significantly hinder the operations of libraries in the state. All libraries have established policies and procedures that make this bill irrelevant.

Some consequences of this bill could include the following below:

We won't put out ANY displays of books as in the free of anything being seen as "obscene" and the displays we use in the library very much promote books and reading to all ages!

We do not want to put up walls or locked cabinets to hide these so called obscene books.

We have lots of high schoolers that can work in the library for co-op work experience and I also do not want another deterrent for young adults to not use the library

I am not the judge of what everyone should be reading and my personal opinions may differ from others in our community. I want to continue to provide a balanced and unbiased collection to suit a multitude of needs and wants in our small community.

I very much urge a do not pass for this bill.