

HB 1273

House Political Subdivisions

I am in support of HB 1273

Chairman Longmuir and Committee Members, Please consider a Do Pass on HB 1273. This legislation is designed to prevent local government (political subdivisions) from creating policies, orders, or ordinances that limit an individual's speech, specifically including a prohibition on hate crime speech ordinances. No city or county home rule charter or ordinance can override this provision. This bill aims to protect what it views as free speech rights.

The First Amendment prevents Congress from making laws respecting an establishment of religion; prohibiting the free exercise of religion; or abridging the freedom of speech, the freedom of the press, the freedom of assembly, or the right to petition the government for redress of grievances. It was adopted on December 15, 1791, as one of the ten amendments that constitute the Bill of Rights.

I urge a Do Pass on HB 1273

Thank You, Gordon Greenstein

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