

My name is Marisha Lunde, I am a resident of Fargo. I have a 15-month-old daughter who I cannot wait to bring to the library with me. Should Senate Bill 2307 pass, there is a possibility she will not even be able to enter the library. Do you hear how ridiculous that sounds? That a child not be permitted to go into a library because it contains books deemed “sexually explicit” by a bunch of legislators with nothing better to do?

This is an unnecessary bill that will cost taxpayers money to revamp libraries throughout the state. Many of the rural libraries simply won't have the funds, and what then? Libraries are *so much more* than just books.

It is also worth noting that each title that gets added to our libraries gets vetted by the editors, publishers, American Library Association, and local librarians. I have endless faith in each of these entities.

The responsibility of shielding our child from content that is not age-appropriate falls to my husband and myself, full stop. If you truly care about protecting the innocence of children, let's spend all this time and energy on common sense gun laws so our kids can feel safe in school.