

Members of the Senate Judiciary Committee

I oppose SB2307. I have used libraries for many years. Libraries have educated me. Librarians have often helped me find esoteric information I have needed for school and job reports. Libraries have also served my residential communities by providing meeting space for informational group events. This Bill seems to hinder the service that libraries and librarians give to the community. It seems to divert the scant resources that libraries have.

I am offended that this Bill treats libraries like adult book stores. Never, in all my years of library use as neither a child nor as an adult, have I been directly or indirectly exposed to explicit sexual material. It seems to me that if you are truly concerned about childhood exposure to explicit sexual material, your time would be more productively spent focusing on the prosecution of people who distribute child pornography on the internet. I don't see any of that in this Bill.

Sincerely yours.

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