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Senate Judiciary Committee Members,

I am writing in support of SB 2307. I am an LPCC (Licensed Professional Clinical Counselor) in ND. I work with children and their families. It is the best interest of children to have the support of their parents and in some cases professionals in navigating questions about sexuality. Unfortunately, there is a significant number of children that have been sexually abused. Reading these materials can be detrimental to all children but poses an even greater risk to children that have a sexual abuse history. Seeing these materials can cause children to re-experience the abuse that has already happened. This creates an environment that makes it impossible for learning. Please help in protecting our young citizens of North Dakota by supporting SB 2307.

Respectfully Submitted,

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