

Senate Judiciary Public Hearing, Monday, February 10, 2025

SB 2307: Relating to obscenity control; to provide for a report to the legislative management; and to provide a penalty.

Please include this letter with the Committee Hearing testimony journal for public record.

Arresting librarians and teachers has never led to more liberty and freedom. Senate Bill 2307 puts librarians and teachers at risk of being arrested for doing their jobs. The gist of this bill opens up the opportunity for one persons opinion to limit the reading choices of everyone else in the community. It will also lead to the loss of state funding for libraries, forcing local communities to pick up the tab. This legislation is a pious and unconstitutional restriction on access to school and public library materials ensconced in an overreaching government bill. This bill, in addition to its other flaws, will be extremely costly, if not impossible, for most communities to implement, highlighting the impracticality of its enforcement.

It is my anticipation this committee will choose to stand on the honorable side of history and give this bill a Do Not Pass recommendation.

Thank you for your time and your consideration.

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