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North Dakota Senate Judiciary Committee

RE: SB 2307

Opposition to the bill

Dear Senators:

I am writing to you to oppose the passage of Senate Bill 2307 regarding public libraries and distribution of sexually explicit material.

This bill is overly broad and puts library staff at risk for random prosecution by overly zealous individuals. This legislation is a blatant attempt to usurp a fundamental right of American citizens, namely that of freedom of speech by placing arbitrary definitions and interpretation by a select few who may have bias against opposing viewpoints, authors, library entities and staff in charged with the operation of libraries.

It is commonly shared that proper parenting is a gold standard of raising children to become educated adults who can make their own decisions. It is the responsibility of the parent, not the government, to decide what may be appropriate for their children to read.

Thank you for your consideration and I urge you to vote NO on Senate Bill 2307.

Respectfully,

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