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I urge you to vote “do not pass” on SB 2123. This proposed bill is an insult to the residents of North Dakota. Penalizing entities for maintaining collections to be accessible for all patrons? I certainly hope not!

Having moved to North Dakota many years ago, I was optimistic as our leaders were enthusiastic and progressive, looking to improve life for the citizens of North Dakota. I’ve appreciated a sense of belonging and wish that for all our citizens. I’ve found inspiration in Governor Doug Burgum’s quest for common-sense regulatory philosophy that avoids unnecessary burdens on citizens. I appreciate an administration that encourages collaboration and knowledge to solve problems, the true heart of state government. All citizens deserve access to opportunities to reach their fullest potential. He has also stated “It’s not enough for students to do well on traditional measures. The challenge is how to equip them with the skills and mindsets they need to be creative problem solvers, effective communicators and informed, responsible citizens who are strong collaborators.” Yes, give all the tools to succeed, and don’t criminalize those who help them!

Access for all is far more beneficial to promote open dialog versus the limitations of censorship. I encourage you to promote efforts of acceptance rather than the infringement of rights.

Again, I urge you to vote “do not pass” on SB 2123.