

## Testimony in opposition to SB 2123

I'm not even sure where to begin with this trainwreck of a bill. Above all, it's a complete violation of the First Amendment, specifically free speech, as it prevents even art galleries and museums from having or displaying any material that contains nudity or even the description of nudity. It also affects public and university libraries, as well as privately owned businesses.

How do you suppose public institutions, which are woefully underfunded as is, are to review the hundreds of thousands of books and other written materials for simply containing descriptions of sex and nudity, and then somehow place them out of view or reach of a significant number of patrons? I can't figure out why anyone would want to do that. Aren't we a state that values small government and personal responsibility? This bill is neither.

And let's not forget that, historically speaking, the people who ban books and art are not the good guys.

This is a terrible bill. Please vote Do Not Pass.

Thank you.

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