Oregon State Legislators, Education Committee, State Senators Senate Bill 664

Requires school districts to provide instruction about Holocaust and genocide beginning with 2020-2021 school year.

Chair: Senator Arnie Roblan

The trademark name, Holocaust, has been sold to past generations through anecdotal stories; highly emotionalized, personalized stories, hearsay, Hollywood movies, television. All of this backed by billions of dollars to push this side of history.

Objective open inquiry of the Holocaust can be viciously attacked.

The Holocaust narrative is a highly protected dogma of religious proportion. It allows no debate and logical, rational discussions.

The Holocaust is a political movement designed as a protected religion using no facts or research and attacking anyone that does. It is dangerous to allow the Holocaust dogma into our education system as a requirement.

Countries that have Holocaust education also have added abusive strict laws that take away first amendment rights we hold dear in our first amendment freedom of speech which is today under attack.

These countries followed with criminal laws for even questioning the official story of the Holocaust or having a swastika in their possession, both of which will get you a prison sentence.

The most important gift you can give a child is embracing their natural healthy curiosity and skills to properly debate and discuss ideas and viewpoints with many different views. Emotional is not equal to historical research.

We need to seriously review where our education system is going as the research shows the huge slip in knowledge and yet students, emotionally charged with certain viewpoints, have never studied, and understand little about those political ideas.

We are losing this important aspect of civility in our society.

Thank you,

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