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I currently live in a school district where the superintendent has repeatedly lied and falsified public records to hide the school adopting policies that adhere to OSBA and ODE GUIDLINES, but are inconsistent with the needs and values of our rural school district. For lawmakers and bureaucrats that mostly reside in urban settings to assume they know the values and needs of a rural school district is to practice viewpoint discrimination, discrimination against a majority conservative Latin community, discrimination against low-income persons and undemocratic. The fact that our superintendent has done such things, often without public knowledge, is why this bill is faulty and should be considered unconstitutional. It subverts school board's ability to uphold the U.S. Constitution and represent their constituents. Finally, it encourages superintendents to go beyond the laws, rules, and (often unlawful) mandates, as did our superintendent did by not allowing vaccination exemptions to part-time employees or volunteers, disallowing long time coaches, boy scout leaders and numerous parent volunteers from school grounds to lead non-school sponsored programs.