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On Behalf Of:
Committee: Senate Committee On Education
Measure: SB409

I support sb409 some of the reasons are

Transparency: This bill ensures that information related to courses of study offered by school districts is readily available to the public on the school district's website. This promotes transparency and accountability, which are important values for conservatives.

Local control: The bill allows district school boards to establish supplemental courses that are not inconsistent with the prescribed courses and to adopt courses of study in lieu of state courses of study upon approval by the Superintendent of Public Instruction. This gives local communities more control over their education systems.

Protection of parental rights: The bill requires district school boards to notify parents or guardians of minor students in advance if a course of education concerning sexually transmitted infections is going to be taught, and allows parents or guardians to direct in writing that their child be excused from any class within the course. This protects parental rights and promotes family values.

Collaboration with local health departments: The bill requires district school boards to coordinate the course provided in subsection (2) of this section with the officials of the local health department and the Superintendent of Public Instruction. This promotes collaboration between local schools and health departments, which can lead to more effective public health education.

Emergency declaration: The bill declares an emergency and takes effect on September 1, 2023. This demonstrates a sense of urgency to address the issues related to the provision of information for courses of study offered by school districts, which is important to conservatives who prioritize efficiency and responsiveness in government.