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On Behalf Of:

Committee: Senate Committee On Education

Measure: SB409

Support SB 409

Dear Committee on Education,

Parental rights and involvement is the most important key to the success of children. This Bill is a step in the right direction.

The Oregon Department of Education is working behind parents backs right now and excluding parental involvement in their children's education. This is especially a problem with sex education. Schools rarely have any standards relating to:

- Visual depictions sex acts.
- Explicit descriptions of sex acts.
- Age-inappropriate depictions of nudity.

Schools in Oregon are not providing rich educational content instead they are providing inappropriate or unnecessary material for minors particularly in a SCHOOL setting.

The SCHOOL BOARD, as the people's representatives, CAN and SHOULD set ageappropriate standards when it comes to sexual content in their school library and in curriculum.

Only finite amount of time in the day and finite space on book shelves makes sense to ensure there is parental involvement as well as transparency; SB 409 will help ensure this happens and providing every students the opportunity to succeed. This Bill is a part of the solution to the problem the Oregon Department of Education has created.

Kindest regards,

Loretta Johnson