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On Behalf Of:  
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Measure: SB1583

I support SB 1583 to prevent discrimination when selecting textbooks, instructional materials, program materials or library books in public schools. It's critical for schools and librarians to be able to select materials that reflect all students in their communities.

Discrimination against the viewpoints of protected classes is not only unconstitutional, but it's bad for Oregon, and it's bad for thriving schools and communities. When we attempt to ban information on people or types of people in our communities, we paint an unrealistic picture of the world. This puts all students at a disadvantage when they apply for or attend college, or when they enter the job market. Let our school libraries reflect the world as it is. Let students see themselves reflected in the materials available at their schools. Let us prepare young Oregonians to comprehend and discuss diverse viewpoints.

Please vote yes on SB1583.