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Measure: SB1583

Thank you for considering my comment in support of SB1583, which will prevent discrimination when selecting textbooks, instructional materials, program materials or library books. It is so important for students to see themselves reflected in their community as well as be able to gain a greater insight to experiences not similar to their own. Access to a wide variety of materials that both reflect a community's lived experiences and provide space to share differences help build stronger communities that are more informed, more connected, more compassionate, and more empowered by ensuring all members are included and represented. Parents have the rights and responsibilities to oversee and guide their minor child's access to materials, but they cannot and should not be able to limit other parents' choices. Please pass SB1583. Thank you.