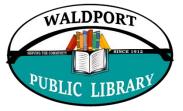
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Dear State of Oregon,

According to Senator Frederick, Representative Sanchez, Senator Steiner, Gelser Blouin, Jama, Representative Nelson, and other Senate and House sponsors, Bill SB 1853 will prohibit discrimination regarding the selection of textbooks, instructional materials, program materials, and library books that are used in the public schools of Oregon.

I am a Family Outreach Coordinator at Waldport Public Library and am actively involved with children starting from birth through high school. I often speak at the Crestview Heights Elementary School library and mentor at Waldport High School.

I firmly support Bill SB 1853 to prevent book banning. Kids as well as adults need to be able to make wise decisions. Sometimes that comes from a variety of viewpoints. Having access to different viewpoints in books is extremely important to become a stronger person.

Thank you,

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