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Dear Representatives,

I am supporting SB 1583 -- a bill that will prevent discrimination when selecting textbooks, instructional materials, program materials or library books in public schools and hope that you will vote to support the bill when it comes up for a vote (in committee/on the floor).

Now, more than EVER, this is so important. The US is experiencing an explosion of attempts to censor library and curriculum materials in our public schools, and Oregon is no exception.

Many of these attempts are blatant in their opposition to LGBTQ+ materials. These censorship attempts intend to limit the materials available to Oregon students based solely on the constitutionally protected viewpoints of those materials.

I believe SB 1583 will help prevent these book bans and removal attempts.

Please pass SB 1583 with the proposed amendment from the Oregon Library Association, for a better future for ALL of Oregon. We are counting on you.

Thank you,
Chelsea Donoho