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I strongly support this bill. There have been several Oregon school districts where a few parents, who often haven't read the books they advocate banning, have removed books that educators and psychologists have recommended. I trust that educators follow good judgement in age-appropriate matching availability to students. Parents input is welcomed in my school district. A parent can always review books and have their student not read it.

The parents who don't want their child to read about LGBTQ+ individuals has the ability to screen what their child reads. They shouldn't keep other children, whose parents acknowledge the existence of diverse gender identity and attraction, from learning about the full spectrum of human behavior.

Thank you for serving our state in the legislature.