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Measure: SB1583

SB 1583 will increase exposure of materials of a sexual nature to children who are too young to truly understand it. It opens and supports discussion of topics, including sexual topics, that are inappropriate until much later in their development. Such discussion can create frustration and confusion for children who should be focused on basic educational gateway skills such as reading, writing, and math. If we want our children to succeed and to become well skilled adults, we need to focus on more vocational, STEM, and higher learning aspects.

As to the financial impact, this bill assists in creating the "need" to provide medical treatments to some children who otherwise would not have desired these things. I suggest these costs will be much higher than the suggested financial impact. I strongly oppose this measure.