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I support SB 1583, which prohibits discrimination in choosing instructional materials in public schools. As a parent and grandparent, I certainly agree that parents have the right to control the materials available to children in their home. However, the world is a much bigger place than the area within their house's four walls. Public education must prepare children to meet that world.

The choice of materials in public schools should be left to those trained in public education. In particular, I do not want activist parents attempting to limit the range of choices available to professional educators.

Thank you for opportunity to comment on this important legislation.