

I strongly urge opposition to this bill. Private schools should not be under the ODE. As a parent, we should have the right to choose a school model that works best for our children's needs. As a family who enrolled our children in private school, we did so at great cost. We did not buy a home until our children were done.

Public school is not as it was when I attended. It is unfortunate that many teachers have their own agenda, must bow to the union thoughts, are tenured and yet do not teach, or (as we have personally seen as our kids attended public high school after elementary/middle school at a private institution) students are penalized when their beliefs, thoughts, or ideas do not align with their teacher.

We chose private school because it was a higher class of education for our kids and because the curriculum reinforced our family beliefs. Curriculum was carefully chosen for students. We do not believe the ODE has the right to impact curriculum choices for private schools.

ODE doesn't have the right to parent students. I know one arguments is for student safety, I don't understand how this is even an issue. There is no more risk in a private school than public. If anything, there is more risk in public as there is usually more exposure to numerous teachers vs a private setting. This is unconstitutional in my (and my husband's) opinion. Vote no.