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I am stymied that this bill is even necessary. At our core, democracy believes in the freedom of expression. That we have to further assert what the first amendment of the Constitution already guarantees (freedom of speech) is testament to the erosion of our democracy. Of course we shouldn't ban books! Teachers and administrators can work out what is age appropriate. Let them do their jobs. Parents can have input, but one parent can't ban a book. They can disallow their OWN child from reading it, but NOT the entire school. This is just common sense.