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I have read the bill. I heard the opening comments.

This measure will take away authority from local school boards to curate their libraries and deflect material which could be categorized as egregiously one sided indoctrination. Such material does students a tremendous disservice by limiting viewpoints and challenges.

What You call affirmation = others call indoctrination, how to decide?

Since this measure's aim is to outlaw only those local objections which are perceived to be racist:

- 1) When school boards, with assent from concerned parents, reject material that is controversial, how do you determine their motive?
- 2) Whether the motive was truly racist, or not, the local school board will always posit an alternate rationale than racism.

Earlier in the meeting, the congressperson spoke about the value and importance of students seeing books which affirm their identity.

Now, let me pick a specific topic to challenge that assumption, gender ideology.

Regarding gender ideology, you may believe affirmative books of a young person's gender dysphoria is helpful.

- 1) These gender affirmation material might be challenged by concerned parents.
- 2) However, in truth, the jury is out on whether affirmation of gender dysphoria is truly helpful.
- 3) In fact, there are many who would argue that coddling student's insecurities makes it worse, and has eventually lead to all kinds of horrors related to irreversible therapies involving hormones and surgeries, for example, Tavistock clinic scandals in the UK, and the increasing DETRANS lawsuits

Again, what you call affirmation, others may call it indoctrination

Local school boards need the ability to deflect content which is ideology based and not evidence based, nor scientific.

Do not render school boards useless, nor mask parents voices and influence, nor harm children with ideologically saturated books and videos that will eventually

be likely viewed as toxic once the large amount of DETRANS lawsuits against rampant transgenderism making their way through the court system conclude.