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On Behalf Of:
Committee: House Committee On Rules
Measure: SB1583

Chair Fahey, Vice-Chair Kropf, Vice-Chair Helfritch and Members of the House Rules Committee,

I am writing in strong support of SB1583. There is a vocal, well organized minority in our country attempting to ban books that present ideas and viewpoints that differ from theirs. Our children deserve to know the history of the groups that have faced discrimination (i.e., women, non-white, mobility challenged, LGBT) and the efforts to protect against it.

The negative language used in this campaign (grooming, pedophilia, etc.) disrespects the teachers, librarians and administrators whose vocation it is to educate our kids to become capable, informed citizens.

Book banning and discrimination have no place in a democracy. I encourage you to vote in favor of SB1583 and non-discrimination.

Thank you.