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Dear Senate Committee on Education:

I am writing to request that you support the Freedom to Read Bill, SB 1098. Although Oregon is somewhat protected from the national onslaught by radical ideologues who essentially ignore the First Amendment, being proactive in these times is warranted.

If people don't want certain books read, then they should not read them and can counsel their children to follow suit. The use of a broad brush to cancel others' rights is not what this country nor state is about.

So, I urge you to throw your support in favor of SB 1098.

Thank You,
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