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On Behalf Of:
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Measure, Appointment or Topic: SB1098

To Whom It May Concern,

I am submitting my opposition to SB 1098 as a 20 year teacher in public schools and as a parent.

We all support diverse literature for our students to see themselves in, but somehow we have allowed completely inappropriate and obscene material into our k-12 schools in the name of compassion and equity.

This is not about book banning. This is about restoring common decency and dignity. How have we permitted content that depicts graphic and violent rape and incest to our minors? How have we come to justify books that describe in detail with graphics how to have oral, vaginal and anal sex with multiple partners and/or between children and adults?

In an attempt to show acceptance or compassion we have in reality justified traumatizing and presenting completely inappropriate content to our school children. There must be continued discussion and vetting of educational content in our schools.

Do not support SB 1098.

Sincerely,
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