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I spent all of my elementary and secondary education in the Portland Public School system and graduated in the early 90s. I loved my school libraries and the freedom they offered. Libraries are sacred spaces. They allow kids to explore not only their world but the worlds of those around them.

I am in full support of SB 1098. We cannot allow discrimination to enter our libraries and school curriculum. Students become better humans when they are exposed to other cultures, groups, and perspectives. Our librarians are well educated and highly skilled at selecting the books that will grace the shelves. This legislation will ensure that they can continue to do their job to the best of their abilities and that they aren't being micromanaged.