

HB 322

As a parent of two children in college, and one in High School. As a child of a 7th grade middle school teacher, and as adjunct faculty at an institute of higher learning, I find the language of HB322 shocking and appalling. By threatening the well-being of educators and administrators, over introducing students, at the appropriate age, to concepts related to Race, Sex, Current Events, is no less than the tactics employed in places like North Korea, Nazi Germany and the fictitious Fahrenheit 451. By eliminating the opportunity to explore these topics, the bill essentially eliminates the discussion of the topics that we need to explore to create a more diverse, equitable, inclusive, and just society.

By bullying the education system, this bill creates an environment where the very protected, entitled few, have the authority to recreate American history. Those that choose to represent our current society and history accurately, will be penalized, and potentially stripped of their livelihood.

I challenge you to find a Japanese history book. Not a western book on Japanese history, but a translated copy of a traditional history book used in their school system. You will find, there is no mention of WWII. Based on their version of history, the war never happened.

Is this where Ohio and America are going?

And for the record, let me be clear, this bill, is nothing more than an uninspired, plagiarized copy of bills that have already passed in several states south of the Mason-Dixon line.

Is this really who we want to be?