

Testimony of Christopher Trinacty, Ph.D. Classics
Before the Senate Higher Education Committee
Senator Kristina Roegner, Chair
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Chair Roegner, Vice Chair Cirino, Ranking Member Ingram, and Members of the Higher Education Committee:

My name is Christopher Trinacty and I am a professor of Classics at Oberlin College, where I have taught for 13 years. I do not represent Oberlin College, but rather am submitting testimony as a private citizen in opposition to Senate Bill 1. This bill is an unfortunate attempt at government control over higher education. It aims to dumb down the academy and to force professors and teaching faculty to adhere to biased and problematic standards. The students do not want this. The faculty do not want this. This is political and only aims to serve the fringe right-wing elements of the populace. I strongly urge you to oppose Senate Bill 1. Let's trust faculty and not aim to become the laughingstock of the country.

Sincerely,



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