

Dear Ladies and Gentlemen,

I speak to you today, in support of HB 245. As a mother, grandmother, and great grandmother, I have very deep convictions and concerns regarding the push that is flooding our society to allow openly sexually explicit performances in public locations. These performances are in view of minors who are not of an age to process what is being flaunted in front of them.

In my hometown, just last summer in my local public park, a drag performance took place. The performers not only performed sexually lurid gestures in front of a crowd that included minor children, but the venue also included vendors selling sexually graphic items, such as inflatable dildos.

To allow these types of performances and their vendors in a public area in front of minor children is totally inappropriate. It causes me to question why this would even be considered or desired. I can only conclude that the agenda of tolerance only extends in one direction. I am expected to tolerate, if not accept, this alternate lifestyle choice. If I in turn, fight for the right to not have my granddchildren exposed to sexually explicit shows in public areas that I deem inappropriate for their age and maturity, then I am considered intolerant.

HB 245 is not a bill that is intended to stop adult performances. It is intended, however, to protect our minor children from being exposed to these performances. Let's keep adult cabaret performances in adult venues. I implore you to pass this bill to protect innocent children from being exposed to sexually explicit materials and performances in public areas.

Please vote to protect our innocent children. Please support HB 245.

Sincerely,

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