

I am grateful to be a Certified Registered Nurse Practitioner with 20 years of experience in the great State of Ohio. I am in agreement with Ohio House Bill 245. Please read the Ohio Revised Code section 3313.6011 as part of my position. (See attached document).

Please again note that: if a school district or school chooses to offer additional instruction in venereal disease or sexual education not specified in division (C)(1) of this section, the district or school shall notify all parents or guardians of that instruction, including the name of any instructor, vendor name, if applicable, and the name of the curriculum being used. No district or school shall offer that instruction to a student unless that student's parent or guardian has submitted written permission for that student to receive that instruction.

As a result, the state of Ohio unequivocally has a duty to protect children from becoming victims of sexual exploitation and exposure in public places. House Bill 245 will help ensure this safeguard. Thank you for your time and careful consideration of this very important legislation.

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