

Kroemer SB 374

Dear Senators and Representatives:

I challenge you to read this at the hearing. I will be unable to attend as I have my final assignments that I need to get done for my college classes, otherwise I would have loved to be there and read this myself.

I am the father of three girls, with another daughter coming to join our family within the next couple weeks. It is a joy in my life to see them grow and mature as humans, as that is how it is suppose to be. I work two jobs, attend school full-time, and work tirelessly to be a husband and father that others might envy. I have no fear of people interacting with my children to see how mature they are and their different levels and kinds of intelligence. I do however have an issue with the government and its officials thinking they know what is best for my daughters, whom have been entrusted to my wife and I by God. The government does not know these children, the government has no basis for evaluating children psychologically, as children are at different levels because of hundreds of differing factors that are unique to their life.

This piece of legislation, S.B. 374, which is presented with the idea of helping cannot accomplish this. The government cannot successfully parent children. I have just presented something that the bill does not necessarily present, but the bill does not restrict the government either. This bill is opening a door for the government to evaluate our children and if our moral values, which we instill in our children, does not match up with what the government says, then "in the best interest of the children," you will strip the rights of the parents and steal our children. The government, being an idea, not a person, does not have the right to step in and challenge parents because of their beliefs. These beliefs are protected, they are the first protection given to us by those who wrote and signed our constitution. The government receives no defense from the people in the constitution. The government is to be accountable to the people, because it is suppose to be "of the people, by the people, and for the people." The Constitution was established to protect the people from the government because, historically, governments have always sought to oppress its people. This bill is another step where people are trying to remove more freedom from individuals. It is what communist parties do and it is what is being done in America and its "leaders" are going along with it.

Another issue with this bill is that it will require millions upon millions of dollars to implement. Stop spending money that you do not own. You are intrusted with money that citizens give you to oversee a few activities that we as individuals are incapable of handling on our own. We do not give you money so you can regulate our parenting, control our businesses, distribute the wealth to those who are unwilling to work, and indoctrinate us and our children with your ideas. Get out of my head, my home, and my life. I did not marry the government. I married my wife, she is the person I am accountable to in regards to being a husband, father, and the leader of this household.

Instead of working so tirelessly to program Americans with the idea that the government is able to bring the best into their life, work to free and challenge people to think for themselves, not

accept dogma, whether it is religious, political, or scientific; and encourage them to search out truth. Teach people to think in the public schools and you will propagate a generation of people who will expand our understanding of the world and how to live in it; while being good managers of the resources available. This is the only hope for a more peaceful society, as it was when America was founded. Remember the things that came before. Our American history is filled with the hope and prosperity that comes through the free economic system and limited government, that we had up until just over one hundred years ago. It is good to promote responsible management of the earth, but highly regulating everything has caused our economy to go to the land-fill, along with the nationwide debt. Stop finding more ways to spend money and search for ways to encourage people to be responsible citizens, parents, employees, employers, buyers, sellers, followers, and leaders. People are the solution, not the government. The government is being the problem right now, step back and look at your own choices in regards to it. I am not going to lecture you or insult your intelligence, but I will exhort you. Fear God, for you will kneel before Him on the day that He has appointed for you, and you will be held responsible for any lies, hurt, and pain that you have propagated through your position, whether that position is a parent or a senator. My hope is that America returns to a submission to God and desire to live with His characteristics, which is the necessary ingredient for people to be loving and kind to one another, regardless of differing opinions.

May this encourage you to be good administrators in the positions you have been appointed to. Work for the people, who hired you.