



General Assembly

**Proposed Bill No. 5313**

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Referred to Committee on EDUCATION

Introduced by:  
REP. MASTROFRANCESCO, 80th Dist.

**AN ACT CONCERNING FREEDOM OF EXPRESSION AND OF THE PRESS FOR STUDENTS.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 That titles 10 and 10a of the general statutes be amended to provide
- 2 students attending public schools, colleges and universities in this state
- 3 with the right to exercise freedom of speech, of assembly and that such
- 4 exercise or the expression of a student's religious or political viewpoints
- 5 shall be free from discrimination or penalty based on the religious or
- 6 political content of such expression, provided such expression is not
- 7 obscene as to minors, is libelous or slanderous or incites students as to
- 8 create a clear and present danger of the commission of unlawful acts,
- 9 the violation of school regulations or the material and substantial
- 10 disruption of the orderly operation of the school.

**Statement of Purpose:**

To protect student expression and student publications except when such expression or publications are obscene, libelous, slanderous or disrupt school activities.