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Thank you for the opportunity to testify today, my name is Leslie Wolfgang and I am the Director of Public Policy for the Family Institute of Connecticut. I am testifying **in opposition** to SB1271, An Act Concerning School and Public Libraries. This is an outrageous and extremist bill that punishes parents and the community and effectively bans them from the process. They feel targeted by this bill and I want to tell you why.

First, targeted by the sponsor, who called us "crazies" on X. This is not acceptable behavior by a member of the General Assembly and we feel threatened and are owed an apology.

Second, the bill bans members of the community who do not have children currently enrolled in school from challenging a book in the school library (sec 1 3, line 147). It also bans current parents, if the book has already been challenged (lines 202, 314). This is unfair to grandparents, aunts and uncles, and members of our faith communities and advocates and prevents them from helping new or overwhelmed parents. As parents, we rely on the community to support us and this bill bans that help.

Administratively, the bill would also violate Section 14 of the Connecticut Constitution, everybody has the right to "seek redress" from our government. Forcing local school boards and private libraries to declare any profession to be "professionally trained" is forced speech (lines 99/121/244/263). It doxxes personal information (line 290). It could violate the CT Uniform Administrative Procedures Act by demanding that libraries and school boards adopt a policy based on a "model policy" developed by a government appointed subgroup (lines 21, 82, 145, 284).

It bans parents from challenging Drag Queen Story Hour (secs 3d2, 4d2), even at school.

On top of all this, the bill threatens parents with lawsuits (lines 217, 3f) while giving librarians immunity (sec 3e). Since there are already protections under law against

criminal behavior, this bill is to be seen as nothing short of a threat to free speech and civic participation. And for what?

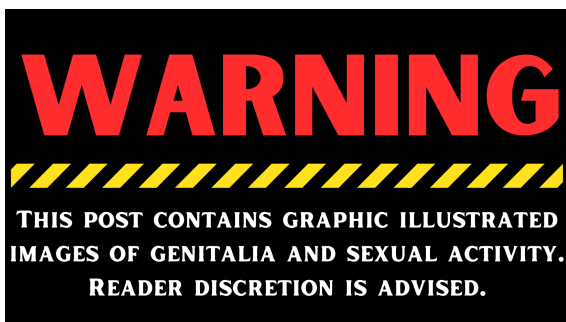
You are inviting parents and students to be sued. Sued over challenging 100 books when we have over . . . 1000 libraries in Connecticut. This is an exaggerated problem drummed up by a radical association who have a stated goal to “make trouble” in local libraries.

Lastly, our culture has a porn problem. This is evident online, in the news, and sadly, even in our libraries. Previously, and again just last year in August, a local librarian was arrested and charged for possession of child pornography. This is sad, but it is also a reason why parents are concerned.

The books that have been challenged show simulations of children having sex - in a variety of sexual positions. They encourage children to use various sex toys and find their favorite porn stars online. Do you want any child to “see themselves” in that?

Regardless of whether a trained media specialist thinks this is appropriate content, they have no business being the ones to share this with minors - let them show it to their own children. And at the very least, parents and their communities should not be banned or intimidated into keeping silent.

For those reasons and more, I urge you to vote against SB1271.



One example of a book that has been challenged and currently available at various libraries across Connecticut including [Conard High School in West Hartford](#) is [Let's Talk About It](#). I offer [images of this book](#) in my testimony as an example of a book that a parent might like to challenge. Please don't turn away from the images, I want you to read the

content as well. Parents should not be intimidated by threats of prosecution for challenging this book in their local library. They are not “crazies” to do so. Parents need help, we should not be banning them or their community from challenging these books.

Things to Try!

Stroke the shaft of your penis with different pressures and speeds. Try mixing up your grip or switch hands.

Whack it against your palm or give it some gentle **bending pressure**.

FWAP!

Tug or squeeze on your balls.

If you have a foreskin, play with it! Slip a wet finger between it and the glans.

Switch things up and avoid constantly masturbating with a tight hard grip, as it can make it harder to climax in the future.

Try a **sex toy** for bonus fun. Vibes and strokers are awesome!

And don't forget—everybody's got a butt!

After the train has left the station (so to speak) and you've had a chance to wash up or douche back there, you can have an assload of fun with a healthy heaping of lube.

Apply **broad pressure** to the outside of the entrance.

Circle your butthole with your finger, pausing any time a spot feels extra good.

Dip just the tip of your finger inside. Let your anus pull it in when it's ready, instead of forcing it.

Dive deeper with your finger or a butt plug! Just make sure any objects you put up there have a flared base; otherwise, your hungry heinie can gobble it up and the only way to get it back out is a trip to the hospital.

Make sure to wash your hands before touching any of your other body parts, especially the vulva! Or wear latex gloves and toss 'em when you're done.



A great place to research fantasies and kinks safely is on the internet!

There are tons of people and communities out there who share your interests and have all kinds of advice.



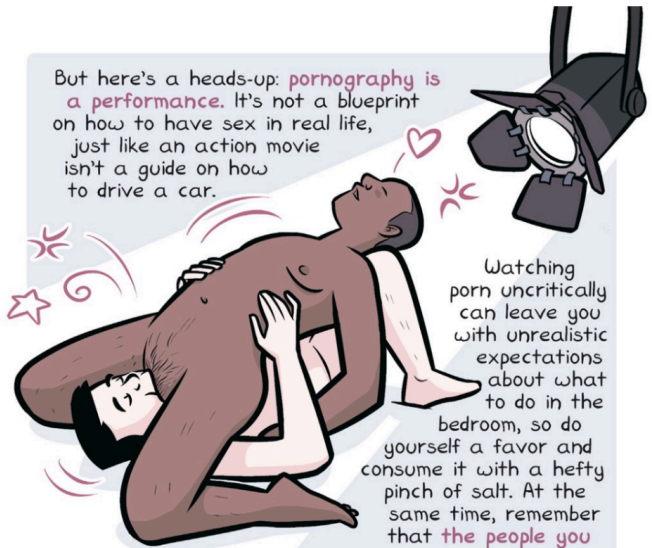
The online world is also chockablock full of pornography: professionals and amateurs alike sharing their sexy adventures online.

When consumed right, porn can help you discover new aspects of your sexuality, and help you safely explore kinks and fantasies.

Buuuut, depending on your age and where you found it, porn can also be unethical or illegal to watch. **So do your research!** Look up interviews with your fave porn performers, go to the sites they recommend, and pay for your porn.



But here's a heads-up: **pornography is a performance.** It's not a blueprint on how to have sex in real life, just like an action movie isn't a guide on how to drive a car.



Yeahhh, I know that worry! But there's nothing wrong with enjoying some porn; it's a **fun sugary treat!** Though if the amount of porn you're watching feels like it's impacting your life, then it's probably time to pull back and give it some thought.



CT Constitution: SEC. 14. The citizens have a right, in a peaceable manner, to assemble for their common good, and to apply to those invested with the powers of government, for redress of grievances, or other proper purposes, by petition, address or remonstrance.