

AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL NO. 7

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1 Amend Bill, page 1, lines 5 through 7, by striking out "in
2 terms and courses of study," in line 5 and all of lines 6 and 7
3 and inserting

4 in books, furniture and supplies, providing for prohibited
5 removal of instructional materials and voluntary inquiry
6 materials in public school entities.

7 Amend Bill, page 1, lines 13 through 20; pages 2 and 3, lines
8 1 through 30; page 4, lines 1 through 5; by striking out all of
9 said lines on said pages and inserting

10 Section 811. Prohibited Removal of Instructional Materials
11 and Voluntary Inquiry Materials in Public School Entities.--(a)
12 Instructional materials and voluntary inquiry materials shall
13 not be removed from a library or classroom in a public school
14 entity due to any of the following reasons:

15 (1) Partisan approval or disapproval.

16 (2) The author's race, nationality, gender identity, sexual
17 orientation or political or religious views.

18 (3) School board of directors' or complainants' discomfort,
19 personal morality or political or religious views.

20 (4) The author's points of view concerning the problems and
21 issues of our time, whether international, national or local.

22 (5) The race, nationality, gender identity, sexual
23 orientation or political or religious views of the protagonist
24 or other characters.

25 (6) Content that is relevant to the research, independent
26 reading interests and educational needs of older students based
27 on their age, development or grade level.

28 (7) Content related to sexual health that addresses
29 physical, mental, emotional and social dimensions of human
30 sexuality, including puberty, sex and relationships.

31 (b) A public school entity shall adopt a policy stating that
32 its libraries will provide materials and information presenting
33 all points of view on current and historical issues and its
34 materials will not be proscribed or removed because of partisan

1 or doctrinal disapproval.

2 (c) As used in this section, the following words and phrases
3 shall have the meanings given to them in this subsection unless
4 the context clearly indicates otherwise:

5 "Instructional materials." Textbooks and supplementary
6 materials used as part of required classroom instruction.

7 "Public school entity." A public school, including a school
8 district, charter school, intermediate unit or area career and
9 technical school.

10 "Voluntary inquiry materials." Nonfiction and fiction books,
11 magazines, reference books, supplementary titles, multimedia and
12 digital materials, software and instructional materials and
13 other materials not required as part of classroom instruction.