Tell lawmakers: reject discriminatory book bans!

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Oregonians believe in students' freedom to read, think, and learn. Discriminatory book bans in schools – and the censorship that goes along with them – are against

Oregon values, and prevent students from learning about the history, experiences, and viewpoints of all communities.

Even though the majority of voters and parents oppose them, book ban efforts have rapidly increased in recent times. Recently, Oregon has faced the most challenges to school and library books in state history. Additionally, consistent with national trends, the books under attack in Oregon are often by or about people of color, women, and LGBTQ+ people.

These malicious book bans are coming at a time when our historically disenfranchised communities and the important values of diversity, equity, and inclusion are being aggressively attacked – by Trump, his billionaire cronies, and Oregon elected officials who agree with Trump's agenda or are willing to "fall in line" and comply with his hateful, discriminatory directives.

TAKE ACTION

The ACLU is protecting Oregon values! We are in a coalition supporting SB 1098, which prohibits discriminatory book bans and other forms of censorship in Oregon public schools if the ban or censorship constitutes discrimination based on race, sex, gender identity, and other protected statuses. SB 1098 has a hearing coming up on Monday, March 3, 8 a.m. at the Oregon State Capitol.

Time is running out to submit testimony, please support the Freedom to Read and submit today!

In solidarity,

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