



April 8, 2025

Assembly Committee on Judiciary
401 S. Carson Street
Carson City, NV 89701

Re: Testimony in Support for Assembly Bill 416

Dear Chair Miller and Members of the Committee:

Native Voters Alliance Nevada is in unwavering support of AB416 because censorship has no place in Nevada's classrooms, and political intimidation should never dictate what our students are allowed to read.

This bill is not about left or right. It's about freedom, safety, and common sense. Let's be clear: parents already have the right to decide what their child reads. AB416 doesn't change that. What it *does* is draw a hard line against efforts to make one family's values the rule for every family—and one person's discomfort the excuse to gut an entire library.

This bill says:

- If a book is truly obscene, take it to a judge and let the legal system decide—not a mob, not a political stunt, and not a campaign flyer.
- If you're threatening school boards or doxxing teachers because you don't like a library book, you will be held accountable.

That's not overreach. That's basic public safety and rule of law.

For the folks who believe in local control and parental rights: this *is* local control. This bill empowers educators and librarians to do their jobs without being bullied, stalked, or fired. And it respects parents' ability to guide their own children without taking books away from everyone else's.

Let's not forget—Nevada students come from every background. They deserve to see themselves reflected in the stories they read. They deserve to learn how to think, not just what to think. And they deserve to grow up in a state where knowledge isn't feared and diversity isn't punished.

We've seen the playbook across the country: sensationalized outrage, political theater, and culture war attacks aimed at public schools. But this bill puts Nevada on a different path—a smarter one. One rooted in law, liberty, and local leadership, not fear and censorship.

A hui hou,

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