



Testimony in Support of Nevada Assembly Bill 197

Chairperson, esteemed members of the committee,

My name is Eddie Diaz. I am the Strategic Director for The LIBRE Initiative Nevada, one of the largest Latino organizations dedicated to empowering the Hispanic community in Nevada and across the nation.

On behalf of The LIBRE Initiative, I am here to express our strong support for Assembly Bill 197 .

Assembly Bill 197 will help safeguard the constitutional rights of individuals associated with nonprofit organizations. This legislation will require governmental entities to keep confidential certain personal information regarding donors, members, or volunteers.

Esteemed members of the committee, as you know, protecting our First Amendment rights is important, and if enacted, AB 197 will help ensure that individuals can freely associate without fear of unwarranted disclosures.

Additionally, this bill will help encourage civic participation because when privacy is assured, more citizens are inclined to engage with organizations that drive positive change, thus enriching our communities.

Finally, AB 197 will help prevent unintended consequences by prohibiting the release of sensitive information and harassment or discrimination against individuals based on their affiliations.

In conclusion, The LIBRE Initiative believes that the enactment of AB 197 will significantly benefit Nevada's Hispanic community by protecting individual freedoms. We respectfully urge the committee to support this bill and advance them through the legislative process without delay.

Thank you for your time and consideration.



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