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APPEARING ON WHICH PROPOSAL ? S.B. 198

DO YOU: SUPPORT _____ OPPOSE X AMEND _____

COMMENTS:

Bullies have always been on the scene. And yes, it is getting more violet. But go back - our problems started getting worse when we kicked God out of our schools.

Charter schools / private schools do not have the problems of bullying & discipline that the public schools. Why does the charter school in Nampa Idaho have a 1500 student waiting list???

The teachers, principals & superintendents in the public schools have had their hands tied so to speak. They have been denied the power to be able to effectively discipline the students in their class rooms + schools.

I urge you to oppose this bill.

Former teacher M. Shannon Bennett

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