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RE: SB291 & SB104

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Dear Senator,

I am writing to ask you to please vote **AGAINST SB291** - 'Quality Home School & Child.

As a Christian home-schooling parent, and as a voting United States citizen in our free country, I am completely apposed to any control that the government is trying to implement on our families. It is my religious responsibility and my responsibility as a parent to cloth, feed, educate, and completely bring my children up to be God loving/God fearing, responsible, citizens in these United States.

For 2 years now I have home-schooled my 3 children and they have flourished and can read and write and do math better than other children their ages. I want my children to have the best education and at this point our only option for this is to home-school.

It is not for the government to tell me what my children need to know and what books we will read. It is my responsibility to make sure that they are well rounded, educated leaders with all the tools and knowledge needed to do anything they may choose as their profession.

Child protection already exist. It is for these existing agencies to protect children from abuse and neglect. We do not need anything else in this world to further the breakdown of the American family. Home-schooling has brought us closer together in God and family than we have ever been.

Ask yourselves this: Why is it that home-schooled kids are the first to be accepted at most top colleges and are the ones wanted for the jobs all over our own Helena Capital Building? What better education could a child get than by their own parent, building on that rock of God, family, and being a responsible **Free American Citizen**.

The ACT and ^{SAT}~~ACT~~ testing is already there as a guide to show what my children know and for college entrance. This is the whole point isn't it? I do not have 25-30 students that need testing so that I know where they are. I have 3 students, and I know exactly where they are. This is the **AWESOME** thing about home schooling.

Sincerely,

