OPPOSE SB0199 Health Education Curriculum

Written Testimony

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HIV/AIDS Mandatory Curriculum

Why is this curriculum mandated? In 2007, my son was in 5th grade and the parents were alerted of the HIV/AIDS awareness lesson. Parents were invited to pre-view the lesson. I was shocked! Here is an adult woman telling my son SIX times not to have unprotected sex. This ladies and gentleman is a double negative, in other words, HAVE PROTECTED SEX, HAVE PROTECTED SEX.

This lead me to do some research, how many children under the age of 18 have been recorded to be infected with HIV/AIDS in Maryland. Back then the CDC was truthful, their charts showed in 2007 ages 18 and under cases which totaled ONE case! Why in the world is the education system focused on sex?

Look at the CDC numbers now for Maryland, the age bracket is expanded 13-25 year olds. Why was this done? Probably to hide the truth, this is not an epidemic among 18 year olds and younger.

How many 13-25 year olds have been infected with HIV/AIDS in Maryland in 2018? A whopping 18 men contracted this disease in 2018. There is a strong chance this group is mostly 18-25 year olds.

Do not pass this law, it is simply a corruption of our children.

https://www.kff.org/hivaids/state-indicator/hiv-diagnoses-adults-and-adolescents/?currentTimeframe=0&selectedRows=%7B%22states%22:%7B%22maryland%22:%7B%7D%7D&sortModel=%7B%22colld%22:%22Location%22,%22sort%22:%22asc%22%7D