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The Fundamental Parental Rights bill is a retread of failed legislation from 2020. This bill is essentially identical to the one introduced by then Delegate Dan Cox. So why reintroduce failed legislation now, 3 years later. I believe those who support Christian Nationalist ideology feel the moment is right to start affecting changes to our public education system.

Simply look at what is taking place in Florida under the banner of "parental rights". It started with a "parental rights" bill, and has since metastasized into a malignancy choking the very life out of Florida's public education system.

Parents have always had fundamental rights over their children's education. We have always had the right to review curriculum, monitor what books our children are reading, create a partnership with teachers, or become involved in parent teacher organizations. Nothing has changed.

If we peel back the veneer to see the true intent of legislation like this, we see it is not about having rights over our own children's education. It's about allowing a group of people with Christian Nationalist views to have control over how all of our children are educated. I am not willing to concede my rights to extremists.