

Lindsey Causer

From: Linda Peters [REDACTED]
Sent: Friday, April 14, 2023 2:23 PM
To: House Education
Subject: HB105 Testimony

I support the empowerment of parents as custodians of their own children's education and ANY MEASURE that undermines the full and unhindered rights of parents to any and all information that bears on, or effects the development and education of their children is over reaching, unconstitutional, and morally wrong!

Linda Peters
[REDACTED]
Talkeetna AK 99676
[REDACTED]

Lindsey Causer

From: Nancy Smith [REDACTED]
Sent: Friday, April 14, 2023 2:51 PM
To: House Education
Subject: Protect parents rights

Concerning house bill HB 105

We stand for the protection of our children in the state of Alaska:

Written permission from parents for sex ed. classes, transparency in the students records (pronouns included), and single occupancy space bathrooms, designated by biological gender.

Nancy K Smith

Lindsey Causer

From: Karen Lewis [REDACTED]
Sent: Friday, April 14, 2023 3:21 PM
To: House Education
Subject: HB105

Permission must be received by parents to teach children sex ed. ABSOLUTELY NO CRT, BLM (which is based in Marxism), NO trans talk and no pronouns. It's INSANITY! Do not teach the children crazy things! Teach them about math, english, science, civics and REAL history. So tired of the dumbing down of our children in public schools throughout the country! FIX IT!

Fire the lunatics who talk to children about non-binary, furies and that boys can be girls, or girls can be boys. NOT TRUE! NOT SCIENCE! STOP IT!

Sent from my iPhone

Lindsey Causer

From: Trisha Clowar [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, April 13, 2023 5:00 PM
To: House Education
Subject: HB105

Please vote YES to support HB 105!

Lindsey Causer

From: April Hoy [REDACTED]
Sent: Friday, April 14, 2023 3:26 PM
To: House Education
Subject: HB105

I strongly support HB105 and parental rights.

These are our children and we have the right to raise our kids as well as have (ie teachers) other adults raise our kids in the way we want our kids be raised.

Thank you,
April

Lindsey Causer

From: Louise Rowe [REDACTED]
Sent: Friday, April 14, 2023 4:16 PM
To: House Education
Subject: HB 105

Concerning house bill HB 105

We stand for the protection of our children in the state of Alaska:

Adults can do what they choose but in all matters that vary radically our children are not "Experiments" in cutting edge views. When they reach adulthood they will have be able to choose for themselves.

Written permission from parents for sex ed. classes, transparency in the students records (pronouns included), and single occupancy space bathrooms, designated by biological gender.

Louise Rowe

Lindsey Causer

From: Sam Caulum [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, April 13, 2023 5:29 PM
To: House Education
Subject: 105

I want to express my support for House Bill 105! I'm a parent of 3 school age children and I worry every day what they might be taught in public school. Parents should be able to trust the school district to education their children on their behalf, not indoctrinate the children of some social agendas. Parents should have the liberty to explain these "adult" issues as they see fit. The schools need to be completely transparent about what the children are being taught. Thank you for your time, sincerely, Sam Caulum.

Sent from my iPhone

Lindsey Causer

From: Barbara Fiscus [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, April 13, 2023 5:32 PM
To: House Education
Subject: HB105

I strongly support HB105 and parental rights!

~Be strong and courageous!

Lindsey Causer

From: Michael Croan [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, April 13, 2023 5:38 PM
To: House Education
Subject: SUPPORT HB105

PARENTS SHOULD ALWAYS HAVE THE RIGHT TO KNOW THEIR CHILDREN'S MEDICAL AND SEX IDENTITY INFORMATION. EDUCATORS SHOULD NEVER BE ABLE TO KEEP ANY INFORMATION ABOUT A STUDENT FROM THAT STUDENTS PARENTS.

MIKE CROAN
VOTER
PARENT
GRANDPARENT
EDUCATOR

Lindsey Causer

From: Mike Procter [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, April 13, 2023 5:40 PM
To: House Education
Subject: Support for HB105

I support and request that you support HB105.
Thank you!
Mike Procter

Lindsey Causer

From: Gci [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, April 13, 2023 5:45 PM
To: House Education
Subject: HB 105

Honorable legislators,

I am strongly in favor of this bill and parental rights. I am a Juneau Downtown voter.

Sincerely, Kristin Hock

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From: Tammy Smith [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, April 13, 2023 5:47 PM
To: House Education
Subject: Public Testimony for HB105

I, Tammy Smith of Anchorage, AK support HB105. First, I want to thank Governor Dunleavy for the long overdue step towards protecting our children in the public school system and the rights of their parents.

I truly believe this bill has been either intentionally misleading or ill informed as to what this bill does by those who oppose the bill. Those who have already provided public testimony, making statements that this bill would require a teacher to "out" a lesbian, gay, or bisexual student to their parents are intentionally misleading or ill informed. It's not in the bill, and nor should it be. Teachers should not be involved in their students' sex lives, period!

My understanding of this bill requires parental permission before addressing a child by a different name or by pronouns that contradict their biological sex. Second, the bill requires parental permission of sexual and gender related content a school will be exposing their child to. Thirdly, the bill would require that when using a bathroom or locker room that is labeled for use by either boys or girls, students must use that bathroom or locker room that coincides with their biological sex. Finally, HB105 would make it illegal for a school district to withhold information regarding a child's physical, medical or mental health. As a parent, all four of those policies seem commonsense to me. Afterall, it is a parents responsibility to protect their children and this bill does just that.

It is really unbelievable why anyone would be against a bill to support parental rights and protecting children in the public school system. Politicians, left-wing extremists and pundits alike fanning the flames that those supporting HB105 would require a teacher to "out" a lesbian, gay, or bisexual student to their parents, or are antisemitism, anti-gay and anti-transgender are just spewing hate to fit their narrative and agenda. Those who oppose the bill and believe parents have no right to know or protest that right, are intentionally misleading the public due to their own agenda. Because their agenda is really about desensitizing children to gender fluidity.

As a mom, I think it's appalling, it's frightening, it's disgusting, and it's despicable. Anyone who believes parents have no right to know or protest, are all about desensitizing our children. Schools and teachers should not be confusing children about their sexuality or gender identities. Nor should they be involved in their students' sex lives. It is not about teaching inclusion, or teaching children that they can be whoever they want to be either. It is about parents protecting their children from plans that go out of the boundaries of basic academics. Schools should teach math, reading, writing, science and history. Parents must take responsibility to protect their childrens innocence and allow them to learn apart from agendas and indoctrination.

Please support HB105 to protect our children in the public school system and the rights of their parents.

Sincerely,

Tammy Smith
[REDACTED]
Anchorage, AK 99504

Lindsey Causer

From: Matthew Jay Callahan [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, April 13, 2023 5:56 PM
To: House Education
Subject: I support HB105

I support HB105.

Matthew J Callahan

Mi hali to Issa fi ma!

"...Pray also for me, that whenever I open my mouth, words may be given me so that I will fearlessly make known the mystery of the gospel." Eph. 6:20

Lindsey Causer

From: David Sandberg [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, April 13, 2023 5:57 PM
To: House Education
Subject: HB105

Support HB 105

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From: Sandy King [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, April 13, 2023 5:57 PM
To: House Education
Subject: Hb105

My husband Ron and I support hb105 and parental rights. We ask you to pass this bill.

Sent from my iPhone

Lindsey Causer

From: Angela Verg-in [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, April 13, 2023 6:01 PM
To: House Education
Subject: HB105

My husband Rhy and I are asking you to pass HB105 and support parental rights. Thankyou.

Sent from my iPhone

Lindsey Causer

From: Kristi Kantola [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, April 13, 2023 6:03 PM
To: House Education
Subject: House Bill 105

I support House Bill 105

- securing the rights of parents to know their children's medical and sex identity information;
- retaining separate bathrooms and locker rooms in public schools according to sex at birth;
- and requiring parental permission to change the the name or pronoun of a child in school records, in person or on school identification.

Kristi Kantola

Lindsey Causer

From: C. C. [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, April 13, 2023 6:05 PM
To: House Education
Subject: Support HB 105

I urge each committee member to SUPPORT HB 105.

HB 105 ensures that parents are given their students full school records, and are properly informed in advance of important teaching sessions so they can help their children make sound decisions. This is every parent's basis right and must be fully supported.

HB105 also ensures all students are able to enter the restroom without having to worry that a person of the opposite gender will be using it, making it uncomfortable for everyone involved. I have four teenaged children who want to be afforded the protection of being able to use the bathroom without fear of finding a member of the opposite sex in there. This is a very basic request that must be addressed. I, nor any of my children are homophobes and are absolutely kind, loving, and respectful towards people who hold opposite views as us. I know that the local Juneau School district has already made provisions for students who are LGBTQ+ so they can use a bathroom where they feel comfortable. I ask that you the legislature pass HB105 so my children can also have access to a restroom where they feel comfortable.

It is unfortunate that HB105 has been framed as an attack on LGBTQ+. It is not, and any attempt to say it does only demonstrates that the person has not actually read the bill or is singularly focused on stripping away parental rights. The school district is not going to walk alongside these students for the next 50 years of their life.... that's the parents job. Parents, not school districts, are the ones who are responsible and best able to help children navigate these topics and ensure they make fully informed decisions.

All Students Deserve Privacy - Pass HB105

Protect Parent Rights - Pass HB105

Thank you!

Lindsey Causer

From: terri aiman [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, April 13, 2023 6:10 PM
To: House Education
Subject: HB 105

I support HB 105.

Gov. Mike Dunleavy's parental rights bill preserves the rights of parents to know what is being taught to their children in school on subjects that have always been sensitive: sexuality and alternative gender identity. Should schools, run by radical teachers unions, be indoctrinating children with sex education in kindergarten without parents' knowledge?
The answer NO!!!

Terri Aiman Big Lake

Lindsey Causer

From: Mark McGee [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, April 13, 2023 6:12 PM
To: House Education
Subject: Please advance HB105

Dear members of the House Education Committee.

We are writing today to voice our support for HB105. As we have read and listened to comments from many in regards to this legislation, it is clear there is a deep divide of attitudes, thinking, and opinions regarding how to best care of rights and safety of all citizens of our great state. We appreciate the time and effort each of you are putting into this process.

There is a substantial amount of rhetoric on each side of the debate. We ask each of you to do your best to get to the heart of the issue and make decisions based on facts. We urge you to recognize the role of healthy families in the overall health of Alaska.

This healthy family dynamic begins with the responsibility of parents to oversee, direct, and yes keep their children from harm. Tragically, we recognize this is not true in all families. This is heart wrenching and wrong. But that should not be cause for limiting or removing the majority of parental involvement in the welfare of their own children. We ask you to continue to uphold parental rights, and keep responsibility for child rearing decisions in the hands of those who know and love them best.

As we have listened to the impassioned speeches by those opposed to this bill, some have come across in what should be recognized as emotional manipulation. Don't be fooled. Think Cleary. Seek truth.

Sincerely,

Mark and Andrea McGee
Port Alsworth, Alaska

Lindsey Causer

From: Gordon DeVries [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, April 13, 2023 6:17 PM
To: House Education
Subject: HB 105 Gordon DeVries, Matsu Valley resident

Hello,

My name is Gordon DeVries. I tried to call in to give testimony, but not surprisingly the phone lines are jammed. As an Alaska resident, father of six, and a former product of Alaska public schools, I am extremely concerned about what is going on in our schools locally and nationally.

Our schools should be about education and the three pillars of reading, writing, and arithmetic. There is no room in our schools for indoctrination and conditioning. Our schools cannot be a place where there is no accountability to the parents and where teachers, administrators, or various members of the community have the ability to indoctrinate our children in LGBTQ+ lifestyles and behaviors.

Because the family unit is the foundational structure of our community, parents ultimately have the responsibility to train, instruct, and educate children. Parents may choose to delegate some of these responsibilities, like education, but schools must be accountable to parents about the subjects they are teaching.

Finally, the sex separated bathroom issue is a critical component of HB105. It's frustrating that something like this must be addressed because sex separated bathrooms and locker rooms are basic common sense. To tolerate anything else is opening our kids up to the dangers of inappropriate behaviors, sexually deviant acts, and straight up abuse. Please support HB 105.

Respectfully,
Gordon DeVries

Lindsey Causer

From: George Snodgrass [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, April 13, 2023 6:19 PM
To: House Education
Subject: George Snodgrass Testimony on HB 105

Hello,

I am George Snodgrass of Eagle River, AK. I live at [REDACTED] I have lived in Eagle River for 39 years. My wife and I raised four children in the Eagle River public schools. All of my children are Chugiak High School graduates. Currently, 3 of my 8 grandchildren attend the Anchorage School District.

I am in full support of the changes HB105 proposes for the Alaska Statutes in AS 14.03.016 to protect the rights of parents and their children in our schools. Teachers and parents should be partners in the important task of educating our children. At no normal time should schools and teachers usurp the rights of parents in a child's education or safety. Parents have the right to know what their children are being taught and how that is actually happening, there should be no secrets or hidden agenda.

Written permission is needed when schools decide that they want to teach our children gender identity programs, activities, and classes. Parents need to be able to protect their children when they determine it is inappropriate.

Schools should not withhold information regarding the student's physical, medical, or mental health from the parents or guardians in normal situations. If a child has told a school that they think they are gay, the school and the teacher need to communicate with the parents about that. Nothing should be held from the parents or guardians in a normal situation.

Finally, student locker rooms should be a sanctuary for students of the male or female sex. There is no reason for those with gender disorders to subject themselves to students of the other sex. Students using those locker rooms need to feel safe using them. The biological sex of the students should govern the use of the appropriate locker rooms. Let me be perfectly clear on this. Having biological boys in girls' locker rooms or bathrooms is not appropriate and is unsafe for girls and should not be allowed. This is a no-brainer for a normal person to understand. The LGBTQ community would have us believe that this should be considered normal and no person should be gender phobic and allow this to happen. As a parent of three daughters and grandfather of one daughter, I don't want it to happen. Those girls have all said they would not want trans girls in their locker rooms.

Once again, I fully support the language in HB 105. Please make it happen.
Regards,
George

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George R. Snodgrass

Mobile [REDACTED]

email: [REDACTED]

LinkedIn George Snodgrass

Lindsey Causer

From: Steve Fuller [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, April 13, 2023 6:20 PM
To: House Education
Subject: Support HB105

We support HB105!

Please allow parents to do their jobs without any government interference. Parental rights come before educators!

If we have to build separate locker rooms and bathrooms for nonbiological sexed children then do it.

Don't allow children's sex education to be learned in the locker room by a government forced experiment. The government is not our parent nor our ruler. Support the Constitutional rights we were each given when our nation was formed.

Support the innocence of children.

Thank you,
Cynthia Fuller
Juneau, Alaska

Lindsey Causer

From: Gary Oines Oines [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, April 13, 2023 6:25 PM
To: House Education
Subject: HB105

Legislators: Please support children's ability to remain children under the protection of their parents. Using the small percentage of abusive parents as an excuse to endanger all children is short-sighted.

Sincerely, Coralyn Oines, Sitka, AK

Lindsey Causer

From: Steve Fuller [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, April 13, 2023 6:26 PM
To: House Education
Subject: Support HB105

We support HB105!

Please allow parents to do their jobs without any government interference.
Parental rights come before educators!

Steven Fuller
Juneau, Alaska

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From: Brendan Carpenter [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, April 13, 2023 6:28 PM
To: House Education

I support HB 105

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From: Mike Clark [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, April 13, 2023 6:32 PM
To: House Education
Subject: House Bill 105

Dear Legislators,

I am whole heartedly in support of House Bill 105. I urge each member to support parental rights and protect minors from chemical and physical castration. Puberty blockers and the removal of genitalia is a permanent life altering decision. The sexualization of our children is destructive and has long term impact our our society . Please protect children and parental rights!

Thank you!

Jeannette Clark

Iliamna, AK

Sent from Yahoo Mail for iPhone

Lindsey Causer

From: Darrell Harmon [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, April 13, 2023 6:34 PM
To: House Education
Subject: Support for HB105

Hello,

I am interested in this bill passing to law.

I'm a lifelong resident of Juneau Alaska and I am considering moving simply because the current trend to disempower the population and give greater control to elected and paid officials. This is a trend obviously throughout the nation. However some places more than others, and Juneau Alaska is mostly a socialist dream-come-true. Empower the people and keep me from thinking of other places to move my family and pass HB105

Thank you

Lindsey Causer

From: jason shumway [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, April 13, 2023 6:38 PM
To: House Education
Subject: PASS HB 105

Please pass HB 105. As a father to 3, I have the right and the responsibility to protect my children. It is I, as the parent that knows my child best and what topics are age appropriate for them as individuals. Their school records for no reason should be ever be withheld from me, something this bill also protects. These are MY children, not the states and this bill helps clarify that position.

Jason Shumway

Sent from my iPhone

Lindsey Causer

From: Daniel CS [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, April 13, 2023 6:10 PM
To: House Education
Subject: Support HB105

I, Daniel Springer, ask Alaska Legislature to please support HB105 and parental rights.

Lindsey Causer

From: Michele Hartline [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, April 13, 2023 6:53 PM
To: House Education
Subject: HB105

Chair Allard & House Education Committee,

After listening to public hearing testimonies tonight from educators that profess their superiority of caring and safety over "hateful" parents, I'm absolutely appalled.

As the child of two public school educators and a parent of two children that graduated from public school in Anchorage, I sadly confess that if I had school age children today, I would absolutely NOT allow them to participate in today's public school indoctrination.

So, I won't waste more of your valuable time, but simply ask that you put me on your "I support this bill" list.

Michele Hartline
Nikiski, Alaska

Lindsey Causer

From: Leigh Sloan [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, April 13, 2023 6:57 PM
To: House Education
Subject: Regarding HB 105: Support

House Bill 105 is a common sense bill to support the rights of parents and the family unit. This bill is neutral in that it does not presume to know the will of parents and families with regard to controversial topics such as sex education and gender expression. While minors are still under a parent's care, it is not the place of the government to come between that essential relationship (unless the relationship is abusive). Without a bill like this, freedom of speech, freedom of religion, and freedom of expression are threatened. Without the protection of this bill, we open the door to sexual predators preying upon our most vulnerable population.

No law-abiding parent should be kept from essential information regarding their children. That includes medical information, psychological information, curriculum, testing, or any other information pertinent to their child's well being.

HB105 does not outlaw any particular sexual expression or sex ed instruction. It only seeks to ensure that parents are well aware of what is being taught with regard to these sensitive topics and to give them greater choices for their children. This action helps schools be culturally responsive and respectful to the needs of diverse populations with diverse viewpoints.

Please courageously pass this bill to preserve freedom of speech and religion, and to support the autonomy of all families in Alaska.

Leigh Sloan
Parent, Educator, Independent School Administrator
East Anchorage, D22
[REDACTED] Anchorage, 99504

Lindsey Causer

From: Abigail Springer [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, April 13, 2023 6:04 PM
To: House Education
Subject: Support HB105

Alaska Legislature,
Please SUPPORT HB105 and parental rights!
Thank you!
Abigail Springer

Lindsey Causer

From: Mark Rowley [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, April 13, 2023 7:07 PM
To: House Education
Subject: Testimony in favor of Strict Parental Rights

I am in favor of legislation that affirms parents rights and obligates educators, administrators and medical professional to consult with parents

Mark Rowley

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

Anchorage, AK 99503

Lindsey Causer

From: Jerry Millsaps [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, April 13, 2023 7:14 PM
To: House Education
Subject: H 105

I support HB 105 and parental rights.

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Lindsey Causer

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, April 13, 2023 7:16 PM
To: House Education
Cc: lrbaxter@alaskan.com
Subject: HB105

Greetings,

I am writing to support HB105. When I moved to Alaska 40+ years ago, Alaska had some of the top performing schools in the Nation. Since that time, we have dropped to 49th out of 50 States while we spend far more than most other States. We have taken focus off of teaching valuable skills like reading, writing and math while we focus on the sexuality of children. We need to educate, not indoctrinate children. Young children are very impressionable and confused and can be easily influenced by authority figures.

Much concern is expressed about forcing transgender children to use a separate bathroom designated for transgender children; however, I have heard little concern over the privacy of children who don't want to be exposed to members of the opposite biological sex. We have heard numerous stories about sexual molestation of children by individuals claiming to be transgender, the most well known of which is Loudoun County, VA.

I would like to remind legislators that parents have the ultimate responsibility for raising their children, not teachers. It is their choice whether to home school, send their child to a private school or partner with the public school to educate their children. Also, parents are largely responsible for funding schools through taxes paid through their hard earned dollars. As such, they should have the ultimate responsibility for their children. Failure to address these issues will result in more children being pulled from public schools.

Thanks,

Loran Baxter

Lindsey Causer

From: Iris [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, April 13, 2023 7:19 PM
To: House Education
Subject: HB105

I am for this bill! Give parents a voice! Parents have the right to have a say in their children's education and to decide when certain topics are age appropriate.

Pass bill HB105 to give parents a voice!

-Iris Williams

Lindsey Causer

From: Julie Morgan [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, April 13, 2023 7:20 PM
To: House Education
Subject: HB 105

I support this bill!

Please do not be swayed by the vocal minority that speak out against our parental rights!

Sent from my iPhone

Lindsey Causer

From: Brittany Tompkins [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, April 13, 2023 8:36 PM
To: House Education
Subject: HB105

I am in full support of this proposed bill. We need more transparency in our school system and protection for our kids.

I fully support Governor Dunleavy in this bill.

Brittany Tompkins
Alaska resident
[REDACTED]

Sent from my iPhone

Lindsey Causer

From: dcdurham [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, April 13, 2023 8:46 PM
To: House Education
Subject: HB 105 Support

Dear House Education Committee.,

I strongly support our Governor's bill HB 105. I think it is ludicrous that a bill has to passed to ensure our rights as parents. Protect our children and protect our parental rights. Please support HB 105.

Thank you,

David Durham

Lindsey Causer

From: Todd Buck [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, April 13, 2023 8:56 PM
To: House Education
Subject: HB 105

I support parental rights and HB 105.

Todd Buck
Juneau, Ak
[REDACTED]

Sent from my iPad

Lindsey Causer

From: Karina Wentworth [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, April 13, 2023 8:58 PM
To: House Education
Subject: I support HB105

I want to protect our children!

Karina Wentworth

Lindsey Causer

From: Teri Jensen [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, April 13, 2023 9:05 PM
To: House Education
Subject: HB105

Dear Committee Members-

This bill needs to pass. As an educator with over 25 years of experience, I grieve for the future. The future of education and the future of the children.

Alaska is ranked at the bottom for education in the nation. I work with teachers that are more concerned about pronouns than teaching a student literature or science.

Parents are first and foremost, the primary educators in their children's life. How dare a teacher, administrator, or district say otherwise.

Currently, I am told that if a student of mine has a different gender, pronoun, etc. I am not to discuss this with the parents. So if a parent comes to me concerned about their child and they are seeking help or advice, I am not allowed to say anything about what is going on in school. Most of these kids we are talking about cannot drive a car without a parent in the vehicle.

As an educator, I am the support system to the parents. Not the other way around.

I have been given the task of educating the students in my content area. That is what my teaching certificate says. Please pass HB105.

Sincerely,
Mrs. Teri Jensen

Lindsey Causer

From: jamie robinson [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, April 13, 2023 9:07 PM
To: House Education
Subject: House Education Committee HB105

My name is Jamie Robinson and I support HB105. I have 5 kids all school aged from Kindergarten to a sophomore. I only have 1 child in the public school system and homeschool the other 4. We need transparency from the people who are with our children most of the day. Things should not be hidden from parents. Parents know their children the best. Again I SUPPORT HB105. Thank you.

Jamie Robinson
Anchorage

Sent from my iPhone

Lindsey Causer

From: Switzer Family [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, April 13, 2023 9:25 PM
To: House Education
Subject: I support HB 105

Hello,

I am writing in support of HB 105, specifically supporting parental rights, oversight and influence in public schools.

Please protect parental rights and promote parental involvement in public schools. Please protect and support Alaskan children by involving, including, and respecting Alaskan parents.

Thank you,
Shanna Switzer
Anchorage

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Lindsey Causer

From: Blenda Backford [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, April 13, 2023 9:29 PM
To: House Education
Subject: HB 105

My spouse, Blenda, and I support this bill. It is about parental rights. Thank you. Alan Backford, Dillingham Ak

Lindsey Causer

From: Kimberly Bates [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, April 13, 2023 9:51 PM
To: House Education
Subject: In Support of HB 105

Dear Co-Chair Allard, and Co-Chair Ruffridge,

Unfortunately, I was unable to remain online this evening to publicly testify. Thank you for providing another opportunity. As educators, we are constantly reminded to make sure parents are engaged and have opportunities to be involved in their child's education. The opt-in requirement in this bill will provide that needed parent involvement.

It is clear from previous opposition testimony that the public is not clear on the facts or the intent of this bill. We (educators) are professionals and I believe that my colleagues throughout the State will remain diligent in protecting students in situations where further parent involvement might cause harm. The public testimony that I heard reflects that there is misinformation regarding the purpose of this bill.

HB 105 provides for the safety of all students and strengthens parents rights.

Thank you,

Kim Bates
Teacher
Kenai Peninsula

Sent from my iPhone

Lindsey Causer

From: Dave Peck [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, April 13, 2023 10:00 PM
To: House Education
Subject: HB 105

I support HB 105. I submit this testimony to supplement a previous email I sent 2 weeks ago.

Education is being turned on its head in our country. Who really is in charge of our kid's education & growth into an adult? This is not a gay thing or a straight thing. It's a National issue.

Rather than treating parents as holding the primary authority for teaching children, which they may delegate to a school (or they may home school), we are enabling the educational bureaucracy to be the primary arbiter of a child's education and morality by painting the parents as potential threats to that authority. It erodes the family as the bedrock of our nation.

A parental secrecy policy Re: gender identity is a slap in the face to responsible parents. If I were still the parent of a minor child I sure would want to know if they were wanting to identify as a sex they are not. Not to punish the child but to know the facts of their behavior. Plus the bill allows for exceptions in cases where there is a risk to a child.

The need for a child's privacy by sex in the locker room should not be controversial. Therefore I support HB 105.

Dave Peck
Kenai

Sent from my iPhone

Lindsey Causer

From: Emily Tulip [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, April 13, 2023 10:17 PM
To: House Education
Subject: HB 105

I wasn't able to call in for the hearing today. I just wanted to urge you to please support HB 105. At the core of this bill is parents/guardians being informed of what their kids are learning & doing at school. This is standard procedure. This should go without saying. We are the responsible parties. We are the caretakers and overseers. Teachers and school staff are not the primary caretakers for our children. They are not the responsible parties for our children. They are not raising them. This bill re-establishes the fact that parents/guardians are the ones that should be knowledgeable about all things pertaining to their children. They are the ones making decisions regarding the upbringing and education of their children, not teachers, not the school, not the state. I agree with this and I think it needs to be reestablished and reiterated for the trust of the parent teacher and parent educational system relationship. I could say so much more, and I have in a previous email but I've heard there's a lot of opposition to this bill and I just don't understand why it is being fought so hard. It's so important that parents who love and care for their children know what is going on in their lives. Do you remember those commercials that used to be on TV that said "it's midnight (or whatever time), do you know where your child is?" Do you remember those commercials? It is a parent's responsibility to know where their child is. It is a parents responsibility to know what's going on in their child's life. To not is to be negligent as a parent. The fact that this is even being questioned, that it's even been considered to not let parents know what their kids are learning and what they're doing at school is absurd. And it's irresponsible. Because ultimately parents are responsible for their children! Parents are the ones who are blamed when things go wrong with our children. We are ultimately responsible for them! We give consent, we get permission, we are responsible, and we should always be informed about what is going on in our children's lives.

Please support this bill!!

Thank you!

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