

December 1, 2009

To: House Health Committee

Attn: Representative Barbara Boyd

It has been brought to my attention that there is a hearing on House Bill 293 on December 2, 2009. I urge you to vote against this bill for a number of reasons. As a High School Health Teacher with 29 years experience, I believe educated choices are an important part of education. Eliminating teachings about traditional marriage and erasing abstinence programming from the Health curriculum would negatively impact the education process. Creating a program of comprehensive instruction only, while re-defining marriage as a "committed relationship" does not allow for traditional values or choice.

Again, I cannot stress strongly enough that you should vote against House Bill 293.

Sincerely,

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