

Comment Report

HSB 203

A bill for an act relating to the enticement and sexual exploitation of minors and the dissemination of obscene material to minors and the utilization of undercover law enforcement officers or agents posing as minors, and making penalties applicable.(See HF 569.)

Subcommittee Members: Kaufmann-CH, Lohse, Srinivas

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Name: Courtney Collier

Comment: I support HF203. We should have the most serious penalties for those who violate the innocence of a child. We need to protect our children who are increasingly being targeted for sexual abuse and sex trafficking. Would love to see this law apply to all places in Iowa and all people, including at school and by school employees. We cannot allow schools to be the only place in Iowa where an adult can show minors obscene content, groom, exploit, or sexually abuse or traffic a child. This loophole in the law, makes schools a haven for child predators to lurk in a trusted position with free access to minors.

Name: Patty SeregAlexander

Comment: I support this bill! I'm wondering if the Iowa Library Association will speak at this subcommittee to exempt the sexually graphic illustrations in the public school library books.