

Proponent of SB381
For the Senate Education Committee
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Chair Erickson and Members of the Committee, thank you for the opportunity to provide proponent testimony in support of Senate Bill 381. I am truly grateful that I can be a part of this process as an individual, which is exactly what this bill helps to preserve; individual liberty instead of a collective mandate. Educating Kansans (especially children) about our Republic and its founding documents are of utmost importance. Knowledge of the Constitution, the Declaration of Independence, and American civics is the only way the principles of truth and life won't succumb to the evils of Marxist ideology including socialism and communism.¹ It is important that guardrails be added while working this bill that would prevent the State Board of Education from manipulating definitions or curriculum in order to further these ideologies by presenting them in a way that is palatable. It is also extremely important that you, as legislators, do no harm to this Republic and sovereign State of Kansas through other legislation that would be tainted by emotion, marketing and/or bias, as well.²

https://calvert.house.gov/sites/evo-subsites/calvert.house.gov/files/1963_Herlong_Current%20Communist%20Goals_CongRecord.pdf

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