



SENATE BILL 113

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SUMMARY OF SB 113:

SPONSOR(S): [Andrew Brenner](#)

TARGETS: K-12 public schools

COMMITTEE: [Senate Education](#)

DATE INTRODUCED: 2/25/25

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**SB 113 has a companion bill in the House, [HB 115](#)*

BILL OVERVIEW:

SB 113 would:

- Require every (city, local, exempted village, and joint vocational) school district to have and enforce a policy that bans all of the following:
 - Any orientation or training course regarding diversity, equity, and inclusion
 - The continuation of existing diversity, equity, and inclusion offices or departments
 - Establishing new diversity, equity, and inclusion offices or departments
 - Using diversity, equity, and inclusion in job descriptions
 - Contracting with consultants or third-parties whose role would be to promote admissions, hiring, or promotion on the basis of race, ethnicity, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or gender expression
 - Replacing any diversity, equity or inclusion orientation, training, office, or position with an orientation, training, office, or position under a different name that serves the same or similar purposes
- Requires every (city, local, exempted village, and joint vocational) school district to have a way for people to submit complaints about diversity, equity or inclusion taking place in their district
- Every complaint must be investigated and addressed

OUR POSITION ON SB 113:

Honesty for Ohio Education OPPOSES SB 113. This bill defies the core belief that every child should feel welcome and safe in the classroom by banning diversity and inclusion in our public schools. The bill fails to define "DEI" and does not specify which programs would fall under this, meaning it could impact students and educators with disabilities, students with IEPs, students and families with language barriers, and much more.

Diversity is one of our biggest strengths. This bill would set our current and future students up for failure in navigating the real world.

TAKE ACTION:

★ Send emails using this [action tool](#).

★ Contact Senate Education Committee members and tell them to vote NO on SB 113

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