SB 775
Guidance

About SB 775
SB 775 outlines actions regarding educational materials which contain visual depictions of "explicit sexual material." The bill contains definitions of explicit material with exceptions for works of art and works related to biology, science, etc: SB 775 Full Text

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We encourage all school librarians in Missouri to discuss SB 775 with their school district officials and take actions based on legal counsel if available.

Response
MASL has issued a Position Statement on SB 775. MASL is working with MSBA, MSTA, NEA, ALA’s Office for Intellectual Freedom, ACLU Missouri, and EveryLibrary. MASL will also present at MSBA’s Annual Conference this fall.

Resources

• **ALA Office for Intellectual Freedom**
  Missouri’s school librarians are encouraged to report ANY book challenges, including removal of books due to SB 775, to ALA’s OIF. Contact directly via email: dstone@ala.org or jmcintosh@ala.org

• **ACLU Missouri**
  ALA, the Merritt Fund, the Freedom to Read Foundation, and coalition partners like the ACLU of Missouri are prepared to assist any librarian who is threatened with prosecution.

• **MLA Intellectual Freedom Committee**
  The Missouri Library Association’s Intellectual Freedom Committee continues to provide support to any school libraries facing book challenges.

SB 775 is largely impacting a narrow subset of graphic novels, i.e. comic books and other illustrated works. It does not apply to text - only visuals.