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JOINT STATEMENT BY THE ARIZONA STATE SENATE MAJORITY TEAM Senate Republicans Fight Back Against the Sexual Perversion Children Are Being Exposed To

PHOENIX, ARIZONA— In an effort to protect innocent children from adults who aim to expose them to inappropriate sexual behavior, Arizona Senate Republicans are joining several other states by working on legislation that would prohibit minors from attending drag shows.

Earlier this month, local media outlets reported the Heard Museum hosted a drag show as part of "Pride Night." [Children were observed](#) in attendance, as the show was touted as being "family-friendly." Performers were seen dressed in scantily clad attire while carrying out provocative dance moves that left little to the imagination as youngsters watched.

Meanwhile, Tucson Magnet High School, part of the Tucson Unified School District, [hosted a drag show in May](#). The effort was spearheaded by two counselors who lead the LGBTQ+ student club. One of those [counselors was subsequently arrested](#) after evidence revealed she was having a sexual relationship with a 15-year-old student.

Policies of "nondiscrimination regarding gender expression and sexual orientation" are sending a message to society that we should disregard morals and values just to normalize these unscientific, broad, ill-defined and subjective terms, which set a dangerous precedent for our children that are too young to be exposed to such concepts.

"One of the reasons why we were elected as lawmakers by our constituents was to protect family values. If men want to dress as women, and if adults want to participate in watching these hyper-sexualized performances, they have the freedom to do so. It crosses the line when kids are subjected to these drag shows. This ignorance by public and private sectors promoting this behavior sends a message of complete and utter perversion that can have detrimental impacts on the social and emotional development of our children. We will be damned if we won't fight like hell to protect the most innocent from these horrifying and disturbing trends that are spreading across the nation now that extremist Democrats are currently in control of our federal government."

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