

I wish to join the voices of those who request that legislation be passed to strengthen the data privacy law, SB 367, at K.S.A. 72-6215 - 72-6223, of last session and oppose HB 2099. Please allow me to tell you this story of something that happened when I was a Wichita high school teacher. At staff meeting, we were told we would give a survey of teen habits (drugs, smoking, drinking, sex, attitudes, parental relationships) to our second period class the next day. It was to be an anonymous survey - at least that's what we were to tell the kids. However, there was a bar code on each survey that would contain identifying information! Students were to be told they could opt out, but were strongly encouraged to participate, since it would be "anonymous". At the risk of losing my job, I told the class about the encoded information, so that they could make an informed decision. This was over 10 years ago!

It is time to enforce the Constitution of the United States and return to the values that made this country great.

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