

From: [REDACTED]
To: [Health and Community Services Committee](#)
Subject: Sexually explicit billboards
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To whom it may concern,

I am writing to make known my concern over the ever increasing explicit billboards that are becoming prevalent in our society. As a mother of 3 young children and an educator, I am against the displaying of sexually explicit material, whether drawn or photographed and put on billboards. At home we can monitor the images that go into our children's minds -- "the eyes are the windows to your soul". However I don't like the fact that when we are out driving that my children or other children can see these images on billboards. As parents we are supposed to be watching the road and paying attention to our driving. I believe it is dangerous if we have to frequently watch out for explicit material and tell our children to close their eyes or look the other way! Then are the we, the parents going to turn around and check that the children are being obedient and are protected from this material!!! Of course we can't so how can we protect our children - their self-image, how our sons view and think about women etc from these images. At home or on the Internet it is easier to monitor and switch off etc. As parents can't protect the easily affected minds of children when driving, we need changes to our laws and systems to not allow for this to happen. I am in favour of totally removing all sexually explicit billboards. I believe the overall sexualisation of our children, the rise in violent rape cases, how men treat women and how the younger generations view relationships nowadays are affected by the media, porn industry and the bombardment of sexually explicit material like those found on billboards. It is detrimental to our society.

Yours sincerely,
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Sent from my iPhone