

Texas Lawmaker Proposes Bill to Protect Children From ‘Disturbing’ Drag Queen Shows

“Drag shows are no place for a child.”

Those are the words of Texas state Rep. Bryan Slaton (R), who this week announced plans to introduce legislation to protect children from being exposed to drag queen shows—a proposal that follows disturbing footage showing children present at a Dallas drag event advertised as “fit for guests of all ages.”

An Eventbrite description of the show, which was at a bar, billed the event as “the ultimate family-friendly pride experience” and “a family-friendly spin-off of our famed Champagne Drag Brunch, with our resident DJ Charlie Phresh playing some of your favorite hits while host Nicole O’Hara Munro brings together some of the best drag entertainers around!”

Slaton described the heavily criticized show as “horrifying” and called it part of a “disturbing trend.”

“The events of this past weekend were horrifying and show a disturbing trend in which perverted adults are obsessed with sexualizing young children,” he said in a statement. “As a father of two young children, I would never take my children to a drag show and I know [Texas House] Speaker Dade Phelan and the rest of my Republican colleagues wouldn’t either. Protecting our own children isn’t enough, and our responsibility as lawmakers extends to the sexualization that is happening across Texas.”

“I promised my voters that I would stand up for their values and fight to protect Texas kids,” the politician continued. “I was re-elected on that promise and I intend to keep it by

authoring legislation to defend kids from being subjected to drag shows and other inappropriate events. I look forward to working with my colleagues to pass this important legislation.”

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