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Re- House Bill 2755

To who it may concern,

I have been informed as to the distribution of the funds in the Blind and Visually Impaired Student Fund. I have taken it upon myself to reassure you of the importance of advanced technology for the Visually Impaired. Devices such as the Braille Note are essential in my life, it fosters independence!!

Before this technology was used in my daily living situation things were very difficult. I had to use more time to get things interlined. Paperwork was not turned in at an appropriate time, because other things needed to be taken care of as well. I am informing you that with devices such as the Braille Note in my life I have come to find that I am not under so much of a time crunch. I am able to access other categories on this machine also, such as a scientific calculator. Things are much more organized, not to mention my stress level has been reduced. I know that it is not just myself that critically needs these devices in my life, but many others who depend on the advances in their day to day lives. In society things are changing, technology is advancing everyday, so therefore why shouldn't the disabled have access to these such advances, as well as those who are not disabled.

Thank you for your consideration, and attention to this urgent matter.

Sierra Burgess.