

Senator Gelser -

At a recent School Nurse Advisory Committee we discussed SB 575 and the requirement for vision exam prior to initially providing special education services.

I have concerns that this does not look at the individual needs of a student and creates an additional step (hurdle) to the process of students accessing special education services.

Clearly there are times when vision exams are very important. But does that need to happen for all students and before accessing special ed? I think this is a decision made on a case by case basis

This bill does not make sense to me in supporting students in accessing special education.

Thank you

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