



HB 2191 – STRONG OPPOSITION

Dear Chair Rob Wagner and members of the committee

This bill expands reasons for excused absences from school to include mental or behavioral health.

This empowers our kids to make poor choices. Allowing students to be absent for mental or behavioral health is not the responsible behavior that is training for success in college or employment. If they are sick, it is already excused, so this will allow for abuse when homework isn't done, or unprepared for an exam, or just don't feel like it.

Teaching to face responsibilities, no matter how uncomfortable, is a major responsibility of our education system. To do less is failing our educational obligations.

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