

Dear Chair Doherty, Vice Chairs Alonso Leon and Helt, and Members of the House Education Committee,

As a clinician, researcher, and board member who has served youth throughout my career, the Healthy Teens Survey has been invaluable in planning, advocacy, and treatment of young people in our communities. With the emphasis on mental health in the Student Success Act it becomes even more important as a benchmark for where we need to focus and how well we are achieving our goals.

I strongly support HB 4132 and also request that whatever survey is used in the future has sufficient continuity with what we have used in the past that it can help us look both back and forwards to chart the best course for our youth.

Thank you,

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