

Members of the House Education Committee,

I am a parent and grandparent writing in support of SB 596. My view from both what I read and family experience is that too many educational resources are being diverted into standardized testing of young students. I think a better use of those resources would be to lower class sizes and increase support for teachers.

I believe the first couple of years of school need to be affirming and welcoming to all, and over-testing at that age is not useful to those purposes.

Thank you,  
Herbert Everett