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On Behalf Of:	
Committee:	Senate Committee On Education
Measure:	SB767

Dear Education Committee,

I am writing to you to ask you to OPPOSE SB767.

My child attends LCMCS and has received Montessori style instruction since he was 2.5 years old. He thrives in the Montessori environment (as I believe most children would) verses our antiquated and outdated public school system. The world has enough information to know the best learning environment for children is not sitting in desks all day.

Every parent wants what is best for their child/children including the option to choose what education is best for them. Which is why LCMCS always has a waiting list of parents wanting their child/children to attend this school each year. That says a lot about what kind of school this is. It's a place people want to be! I don't always see eye to eye with administration, but that doesn't really matter because my child is doing INCREDIBLE there. He has two fantastic teachers, superb auxiliary teachers and a whole host of after school teachers/activities that he loves.

My child, as well as many others are experiencing stress about what the future holds. I urge you to think back to when you were a child. Did your parents ever talk about moving to a new city/town? Did you feel dread about moving to a new school? Perhaps they just talked about moving like my parents did. I still felt the dread, anxiety and fear over moving to a new school? If you did, please try and remember that feeling. I can remember it like it was yesterday. The feeling was terrifying. Please consider our children and what is going through their hearts and minds right now as you make your decision. Your decision will impact the rest of their lives, especially the older children who will always remember LCMCS, like my son.

I urge you to think about all these things and think back to when you were a child. If you have children, think about telling them why a group of adults doesn't want them in their district. Every action has an impact. Please don't let this have a negative lasting impact on our children. I urge you. Thank you.