

Dear Chair Neron, Vice Chairs Wright and Hudson, and members of the House Committee on Education:

This bill is important to us for several reasons. Most everyone has a family member, friend, or acquaintance who would benefit and thrive from the proposed legislation. The various addictions that plague so much of our society, especially our young people, could be positively addressed by recovery high schools. It is more than disturbing to see addicts who have been suffering for decades; recovery high schools could focus on these various addictions and help our young people to face and effectively break the destructive and deadly addiction cycle. Recovery high schools would help our young people, our very future, to end these terrible addictions and become the successful, happy, and contributing people they deserve to be. As a society it is our responsibility and part of our moral accountability to establish these recovery high schools.

Signed; Henry and Nancy Schmidt