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On Behalf Of:

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I am opposed to SB1583, and I encourage you to vote "NO". As a former school district employee K-12, preschool substitute, and college mathematics teacher's assistant I have seen the failure of the public educational system. Every student is unique and learns in their own way. One way of teaching does not work for all students. I have seen students who were schooled at home, private, and small group do much better education wise than their peers who attended public schools.

The first teacher in a student's life is the parents and grandparents. They know their children/student better than anyone else and know their interests. Knowing interests they can direct their children/student to an interesting world to explore under the guidance parent/grandparents. Give the parents, grandparents, and community time to examine what is in the textbooks, pamphlets, books giving input before ordering. also, include the local school board.

School District boards and committees are elected for a reason they are elected because the parents and community trust them and expect them to make decisions based on what is best in their community schools. The interference of Departments of Education has created learning holes and too much nonsense training of teachers and aides. The nonsense trainings and experiments has taken time away from teaching. We need to get back to the basic subjects of math, reading, writing, language, real science, real true history, and trade/personal skills. Graduation numbers are up, what a joke. The reason for higher graduation rate is because the requirements have fallen. Departments of Education have no business in local school district/community decisions made by the parents.

This bill is the destruction of family, education, and with an agenda. Thank you for taking the time to read this testimony. Please vote, "NO".