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Immediate Call to Action

File Witness Slip in Opposition of HB 3223

We need to make our voices heard right away today and sign witness slips in opposition of HB 3223.

The legislative proposal creates a multitude of onerous, unfunded requirements for school districts involving the delivery of services and confidentiality provisions that do not permit school officials to respond appropriately to the needs of students who are parents, expectant parents or victims of domestic or sexual violence.

House Bill 3223 will be considered in the Senate Education Committee at 1 p.m. today.

The bill would mandate the following:

- Minimum 8 hours of initial training and 6 hours annual training thereafter for individuals charged with resolution of school district complaints.
- Districts must appoint at least one staff member per school to be trained to address the needs of youth who are parents, expectant parents or victims of domestic or sexual violence that must be either a social worker, school psychologist, school counselor, school nurse or administrator.
- Creates a new mandated training on the rights of minors to consent to counseling services and psychotherapy.

- · Supports to affected students must include transferring a victim of domestic or sexual violence or the student perpetrator to a different classroom or school and providing any other supports that may facilitate full participation in the regular education program.
- Students who are unable to participate in classes on a particular day or time of day must be excused and must be able to make up any examination, study or work requirement that the student has missed.
- All support services must be available in any school, home instruction or hospital instruction to the fullest extent possible.

Sincerely,

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