

Testimony of

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Good afternoon, Senator McCrory, Representative Currey, Senator Berthel, Representative McCarty, and members of the Education Committee.

I testify today in support of the caps on class sizes proposed in Senate Bill 1093, which would take an important step in ensuring that classrooms are places where students can learn, and educators can teach.

Smaller class sizes are a must. Our elementary school children are struggling in large classrooms. They need more individualized instruction and continuous access to the teacher with multiple rotations. Larger class sizes means an increase in the number of small groups which in turn causes a decrease in the frequency of small group instruction per student.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

