

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.

As an interventionist I have directly seen how large class sizes result in more students needing intervention. A teacher is unable to provide the small group instruction and attention students need when there are too many students in a class. This results in lower test scores and students struggling. This directly affects my position as more students qualify for tiered intervention. This results in needing more tutors or interventionists. Classroom teachers want to help and support all of their students but large class sizes don't allow them the time to properly do that.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

