

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.

Class sizes directly impact a student's educational experience and a teacher's workload. The years that I've had smaller class sizes, I know my students better and better met their educational needs. The years that I've had larger class sizes, classroom management and having the time to differentiate instruction is nearly impossible. As a parent, I kept my twin boys back a year because the class sizes were over 20 in Kindergarten. Now, my sons have 16 students in their class and their teachers can better meet their unique needs. The workload for educators grows each year - Keep class sizes small for better educational experiences for everyone.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

