

I oppose the bill. I have sacrificed to pay for private education for my children specifically to avoid the curriculum in public school. This bill may not allow private schools to choose their own curriculum. I send my children to private school so that I can have a say in the curriculum, the teachers, and the administration of that school. It has already been shown that children from private school consistently score higher on standardized and achievement tests. Private schools have proven to have high standards and an environment much more conducive to learning than public schools. That said, government oversight is not needed to provide "proof", beyond what is already provided, that these schools meet qualifications. I feel that this bill would take away the benefits that parents and children receive from private education. I implore you to oppose this bill.

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