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On Behalf Of:
Committee: Senate Committee On Education
Measure: SB517
Chair Dembrow, Vice Chair Weber, Members of the Committee,

Thank you for being here today. I wanted to reach out with my concerns about SB 517. Where I am all about second chances, I have serious concerns about this bill. The crimes that have been committed and listed in this bill are extreme. They are often be crimes that have been thought out, premediated, and strategically planned. For those who are truly repentant of their crime, the understanding that they wouldn't be able to obtain licensure because of their crime, would be accepted. They would know and understand, most likely agree, that they, because of their crime, are unable to apply for these licenses. This is simply put, personal responsibility and understanding the consequences of their actions.

Life, and our actions, always have a consequence, whether good or bad. To put citizens in potential harms way should be the last thing we would want, and in fact, we should be doing everything we can to protect those who can't protect themselves. I urge you to not move this bill forward for the safety of our citizens.

Thank you for your time, service, and dedication to our state.
Blessings, Emily McIntire