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On Behalf Of:
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Chair Dembrow, Vice Chair Weber, Members of the Committee,

Thank you for reading my testimony and your time on this committee, it is so important!

I wanted to voice my concerns for HB 2281- First of all- my BIGGEST concern is that it isn't specified who can be appointed at the Civil Rights Coordinator. That means this could be anyone in the district. A classified staff, teacher, or admin. The information that will be required to know for this position is highly sensitive and it shouldn't just be anyone that does it. I believe this should be specifically an administrator position. Also- the list of what needs to be done in this bill is huge- this will absolutely cost the district more money. And if this is already being done- then why do we need this bill? There is already someone that ODE is communicating with in regards to Civil Rights issues, so what is the purpose of this bill?

I just find this bill another unfunded, unnecessary ask for districts that are already working their hardest to do everything we ask them to do. If we were having huge issues with this- we would be hearing about it constantly. It would be a huge liability.

Thank you for your time and consideration of this bill. I am happy to speak with any of you about it.

Blessings, Emily