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**Chairman Schaible,**

Re: Senate Education Committee HB 1478

I would like to support HB 1478 as the alternative education opportunities it's a tremendous opportunity for students to experience pre-apprenticeship opportunities and to help them pave their future education and employment opportunities. This also helps the building industry with our biggest struggle of the workforce. This will help our workforce with getting the younger generation involved in the industry.

This encourages/provides students an opportunity to earn credit outside of the classroom. This would give students opportunities to experience hands-on work and ultimately, help with future workforce development as students would have an opportunity to experience where they would be interested in future career goals.

**Sincerely,**

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