



Testimony on HB 1363 – Cardiac Emergency Response Plans

Chair and Members of the Committee,

Thank you for the opportunity to testify today in support of **HB 1363**, which focuses on the implementation of **Cardiac Emergency Response Plans** in schools. This legislation has been carefully crafted to ensure that schools are equipped to respond effectively to cardiac emergencies while maintaining a process that aligns with their existing crisis response frameworks.

This bill has already undergone **extensive work and refinement on the House side** to make it **realistic, workable, and implementable** for schools within their current model of adoption, review, and application of crisis response plans. The goal has been to strike the right balance—**ensuring student safety while not overburdening districts with unnecessary mandates or impractical requirements.**

A Practical, School-Aligned Approach

- **HB 1363 fits within existing school safety protocols**, making it a **feasible and effective** addition to current emergency preparedness procedures.
- **It respects the operational capacity of schools**, ensuring that districts can implement meaningful cardiac emergency planning **without excessive financial or logistical strain.**
- **It supports and enhances student and staff safety**, reinforcing the importance of preparedness **without creating redundant or conflicting policies.**

Maintaining Workability in the Senate

Given the careful **collaboration, input, and adjustments** that have already been made to HB 1363, we strongly encourage this body to **adopt it in its current form with minimal modifications.** Any significant changes at this stage could disrupt the delicate balance that has been established, making it more difficult for schools to implement the plan effectively.

We appreciate your commitment to student safety and ask that **HB 1363 be advanced in a form that retains its practicality and effectiveness for schools.** Thank you for your time and consideration.