



1 Testimony in support SB 2354

2 Chairman Beard and members of the Senate Education committee, thank you for the opportunity  
3 to testify today. I am here in support of Senate Bill 2354, which aims to establish a **reasonable**  
4 **and locally controlled** approach to wireless communication device use in schools.

5 As we navigate the evolving role of technology in education, it is essential to strike a **balance**—  
6 ensuring that students remain engaged in learning while also allowing for the appropriate and  
7 constructive use of wireless communication devices. This bill provides a framework that:

- 8 • **Minimizes distractions during school hours** while maintaining flexibility for  
9 **educational purposes** and **student health needs**.
- 10 • **Respects local control**, allowing school districts to develop policies that best serve their  
11 students and communities.
- 12 • **Encourages stakeholder engagement**, ensuring that parents, educators, and students  
13 have a voice in shaping policies that reflect their unique needs.
- 14 • **Requires periodic review**, allowing policies to adapt to new research and best practices  
15 over time.

16 This bill does not impose a **one-size-fits-all** mandate but instead **empowers local districts** to  
17 establish policies that align with the goals of **student learning and well-being**.

18 I appreciate the committee's attention to this important issue and encourage your support of SB  
19 2354. Thank you for your time, and I am happy to answer any questions.