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Dear House Education Committee,

I am writing in support of HB 1532. Though I attended public schools in Fargo, my husband and I have chosen to educate our children at a private school. Our oldest child was about to start kindergarten when I was diagnosed with leukemia and our decision to choose a private school was immediately affirmed. Our close-knit private school was able to provide immense support and community at a time when we absolutely needed it. Medical costs for leukemia treatment including a bone marrow transplant were unexpected and astronomical. Given that we are required to fund public schools in addition to our private school tuition, HB 1532 would allow some financial relief for our family. While I understand our situation is unique, I also know other families in the private school systems who have their own unique situations.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify in support of HB 1532. I appreciate your consideration.

Respectfully,

Karla Wohlers

Fargo Taxpayer