

ND Senate Education Committee,

As a parent, education is a top priority. How the public school system is today, parents have little control of the school their child(ren) attend. Currently, it is dependent on which school district you live in. Low- and middle-class families are not given a choice on their child(ren)'s education.

For my family, we have chosen to send our three children to a private school. We have made countless financial sacrifices to pay for tuition. Our children's morals, academic achievement, wellbeing, future, etc. obtained in private school are all more important than the monetary sacrifices we make. The modest tuition reimbursement HB 1532 references would be significant to my family. HB 1532 will give more families, like mine, the option of choosing the school they favor for their children.

Giving families the opportunity to choose their child(ren)'s school requires all schools to sustain excellence in order to retain families. This increases the quality of all our schools to the benefit of ND's youth. Our education systems should have the best interests of families and children as a top priority. Please support ND families, please support HB 1532.

Thank you,

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