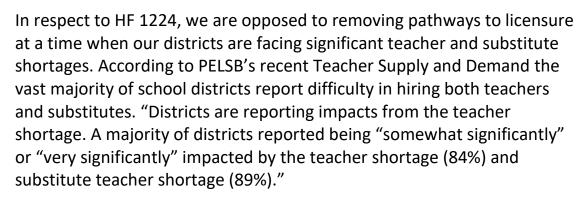
February 6, 2023

Members of House Education Policy Committee State Office Building St. Paul, MN 55155

Dear Members of House Education Policy Committee:

On behalf of education organizations across Minnesota, we wish to weigh-in on HF 1257. We sincerely appreciate the positive direction this bill takes in opening pathways and providing flexibility to teacher licensure, which helps school districts address the shortage of teachers and substitute teachers. These pathways are helping teachers of color, teachers in specialized fields and teachers who face barriers to traditional pathways to licensure.



Our organizations would like to continue to work with the authors of the bills so pathways remain open, and barriers can be eliminated to increase the number of teachers and substitutes.

Respectfully,

Minnesota School Boards Association
Minnesota Association of School Administrators
Association of Metropolitan School Districts
Minnesota Rural Education Association
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