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Dear Laura Taken-Holtze

I strongly oppose the proposed test reporting requirements proposed language. I am concerned with the additional requirement of “proof of prior testing plan” and a “copy of the official test scores.” There is no credible evidence to suggest that a change in homeschool standardized testing reporting requirements is useful.

This reporting requirement goes against the 2011 Homeschool Mandate Reduction bill which allows for simpler reporting requirements for homeschoolers. At that time, the school districts did not want to collect and retain unnecessary paperwork from homeschoolers, homeschoolers don't need or want the additional paperwork either.

This would be a significant step backward for homeschooling freedom. It would impose needless requirements on homeschoolers and school districts. Additionally, it could provide government officials or other agents with the unconstitutional authority to see private data.

Parents should be the ones who decide how their children are educated.

Sincerely,

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