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Re: Testimony in Opposition to changes in test reporting requirements in the MN House DE Amendment (Education Policy Omnibus Bill)

To Whom It May Concern,

We **strongly oppose** the changes to the test reporting requirements. We believe it would be a significant step backward for homeschooling freedom in Minnesota. Why would we want to move backwards?

We oppose this for the following reasons:

- We are concerned with the additional requirement of “proof of prior testing plan” and a “copy of the official test scores.”
- Why would this new requirement be added at this time? It makes no sense.
- -There has never been credible evidence to suggest that a change in homeschool standardized testing reporting requirements is necessary or useful.
- Also, it is our understanding that the reporting requirement is contrary to the 2011 Homeschool Mandate Reduction bill which paved the way to simpler reporting requirements for Minnesota homeschoolers.
- Do school districts really want more paperwork to maintain and review? Of course not. They have enough things to worry about normally, let alone in our current environment. They do not want additional and unnecessary paperwork.
- We also do not want additional unnecessary paperwork.
- At what stage is this giving government officials or other agents the unconstitutional authority to see private data?

Please reject this proposed change.

Sincerely,
Geoffrey and Christina Davies