

To whom it may concern,

I want to voice my opposition to the proposed language in the Omnibus Bill:

*“A letter of intent to continue to provide instruction must include a report to the superintendent with proof that the testing plan for the previous year was fulfilled as agreed upon, a copy of the official test scores, and information required in paragraph (a) for each student for the upcoming school year. “*

As a homeschool mother who has graduated three college students (one in law school) I do not understand why additional requirements would be placed on homeschool families without any credible and persuasive evidence that this type of change is both beneficial and necessary.

I am specifically concerned about the additional requirement of “proof of prior testing plan” and a “copy of the official test scores.”

This would be a significant step backward for homeschooling freedom in Minnesota. It would impose unnecessary and burdensome requirements on Minnesota homeschoolers and districts. And, 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,

Jenny Mueller