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**Proponent Testimony on Senate Bill 350 (Written-Only Testimony)**
Age-Appropriate School Devices
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**Chairwoman Erickson and Members of Committee,**

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony **in support of Senate Bill 350**, the Age-Appropriate School Device Act

Aligned is a statewide, nonpartisan education policy organization focused on ensuring every student is prepared for lifelong success. Our work is guided by five core values: Student-Focused, Accountable, Innovative, Transparent, and Efficient. Senate Bill 350 reflects these values by placing students' developmental needs at the center of classroom policy.

This bill supports strong foundational learning by requiring print-based and hands-on instruction in grades K–5 and limiting device use in middle school. Early literacy, attention, and social development are critical during these years. Reducing excessive screen exposure helps protect instructional time and reinforces core academic skills.

The legislation also promotes accountability and transparency by setting clear screen-time limits, restricting non-instructional access, requiring strong privacy settings, and providing parents with meaningful opt-out rights. In high school, it allows responsible, limited device use while maintaining guardrails that prioritize instructional purpose.

Senate Bill 350 represents a thoughtful, tiered approach to technology in schools that balances innovation with student well-being.

For these reasons, we respectfully urge the Committee to support Senate Bill 350.

Thank you for your consideration.

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