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Bill Number: HB2738

Revising the special education state aid statewide excess costs calculation to count additional funding, requiring the state board of education to determine each school district's excess costs and to establish a special education state aid equalization distribution schedule.

Position: Opponent Testimony, Written-only

Hearing Date: Tuesday, February 13, 2024, at 3:30 PM

Committee: House Committee on K-12 Education Budget

Chair: Rep. Kristey Williams

Madame Chair and Members of the Committee,

Quality public education with equal access is one of the important and critical opportunities in the US. Currently it is being eroded through various legislative ploys by conservatives who seem to be almost frightened by the concept of a well educated population. Please oppose HB 2738 and work instead to enhance funding for public education, I.e. teacher salaries, factual text books, adequate supplies, etc. for ALL students, including those who require/ benefit from special ed programs.