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I am in Support of this Bill on its face and the Updates to Apply State-Wide.



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I cannot express how excited I am to support this bill. As someone who administered the MMAT and helped develop MAP in its nascency, it is BEYOND time to address assessments in MO. It is also time we stop tying scores for one test to accreditation and teacher efficacy. Some thoughts: Changing the ELL student requirement for being counted from 3 to 5 full years of education in the state is great. Even being educated in a different state can have wide ranges of success. I would add that students should not be tested at ALL until they have been enrolled in school for 6 quarters. Using a calendar date from in country arrival is grossly unreasonable. If a student arrives in country in March, that student may not be enrolled in school anywhere until the next school year for a long list of reason. They will have to take the MAP in April. This causes districts unnecessary expenses in translators, one-one testing, and causes the students to feel defeated in their language journey because they "failed" a test that does not even count. The MAP is meant to measure academic language in English, so the reading part cannot be translated. All of this is just ridiculous. Additionally, in MO, all ELL students take federally mandated test. Missouri uses WIDA. Because of this, ELL students just learning the language have nearly a month of standardized testing within a month of each other. What learning is happening? Second, the term grade level gives me heartburn. This is an arbitrary matching of learning/development to a chronological age. I know there has to be a standard, but this is just so arbitrary and has little to do with how kids learn. A growth model is much better than achievement. My son's 1st graders in Ohio have to demonstrate X number of growth levels by Y date on the assessment of the district's choosing. They use several. These are used as part of his evaluation along with other factors such as submitted lesson plans, teacher growth plan and other things. (If they hit a certain target level, even as first year teacher, they are officially observed every-other year unless admin sees an issue, by the way). Comparing a student to themselves, especially in grades K-5, is far more useful in informing instruction than comparing them to each other. Of course there are benchmarks kids should meet, but growth should be weighed more heavily. With assessment flexibility, there is MORE information possible. Districts can report data on all grades. Finally, this will release the stranglehold that cottage industry giants like Pearson have over states and learning. It seems almost like a monopoly or something. "Here is a test you're paying for. You can't see individual items to know where students have strengths and weaknesses. Yes. In MO, the ELA standards are not enumerated so you DO have to kind of guess if it's inference, conclusion, problem solution or cause/effect. So sorry. Anyway our items are proprietary. However, here is a wonderful study curriculum, sample curriculum, intervention strategies we would be happy to sell you so you can succeed. Unless you succeed last year; then we're changing the test." It is time for us to pare down the influence giant testing corporations have in our districts nationwide. Let MO lead this charge. Thank you again for this bill!



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