



MISSOURI HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
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<b>REGISTERED LOBBYIST:</b>			
WITNESS NAME: <b>BRENT HEMPHILL</b>		PHONE NUMBER:	
REPRESENTING: <b>PEARSON/CONNECTION ACADEMY</b>		TITLE:	
ADDRESS: <b>PO BOX 156</b>			
CITY: <b>JEFFERSON CITY</b>		STATE: <b>MO</b>	ZIP:
EMAIL:	ATTENDANCE:	SUBMIT DATE: <b>4/23/2025 12:00 AM</b>	
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Mr. Chairman, Members of the Committee, I am Dr. Jerry Hobbs, testifying on behalf of Stride, Inc. in support of this bill. Taking state mandated tests is already stressful and overwhelming for many students. But for full-time virtual school students, who are forced to leave their learning environment and travel to a testing location that they have never been to, places added stress on them. Remote testing provides a solution that aligns with the learning environment that virtual students are most familiar with. It offers the flexibility to meet the needs of students who have various issues that prevent them doing well in an unknown testing environment. Parents are forced to take time off work, get sitters for younger children, pay for travel, lodging, and food, which is prohibitive to many parents. Allowing virtual school students to test at home more accurately reflects their learning and results in higher academic achievement. Remote testing has been done for many years through tests such as the LSAT, Praxis, GRE, CLEP, among others.



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WITNESS NAME: <b>ARNIE AC "HONEST-ABE" DIENOFF-STATE PUBLIC ADVOCAT</b>		PHONE NUMBER:	
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I am Opposed to this Bill and its Legislative intension. I feel that all Testing, mainly M.A.P. "State-Wide Assessment" and "Readiness Assessment" must be done in person to ensure the integrity and honesty of the Testing Process. This Bill is Bad Public Education Policy.