## Testimony of

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Good afternoon, Senator McCrory, Representative Currey, Senator Berthel, Representative McCarty, and members of the Education Committee.

I testify today in support of the caps on class sizes proposed in Senate Bill 1093, which would take an important step in ensuring that classrooms are places where students can learn, and educators can teach.

Large class sizes minimize teacher instruction and increase negative behaviors from students. Forcing teachers to teach with extra large class sizes would be a disservice to the students and the taxpaying community. Simply put, classes do not have the seats or equipment to accommodate large class sizes.

Thank you for your time and consideration.