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Senate Bill 1121, An Act Establishing a Task Force to Study the Distribution of State Funds to Municipalities

Senator Harp, Representative Walker, Senator Kane, Representative Miner and the distinguished members of the Appropriations Committee, my name is Doug Lyons, I am the Director of the Connecticut Association of Independent Schools. In the way of background, CAIS's 97 nonpublic schools serve approximately 30,000 students. This testimony is in response to Senate Bill 1121, An Act Establishing a Task Force to Study the Distribution of State Funds to Municipalities.

The task force established in SB 1121 will study the distribution of state funds in several areas including grants to nonpublic schools for transportation of students. As the Director of CAIS, I am in a position to be a resource in this important discussion, and therefore I would most respectfully request to be appointed to this task force.

Many thanks for your consideration of this request.