

Dear Honorable Members of the Children's Committee:

Thank you for supporting HB 6329: An Act Concerning Dissection Choice. Children as students should have a choice whether to dissect an animal in the classroom, or choose a kinder, more economical, more effective alternative. Other states such as Mass., RI, NY, Maine, Vt., and NJ have realized the importance of providing choice and allowing students to opt out of this archaic, cruel, and unnecessary practice.

Taking pre-requisite nursing classes at MCC, I had personal experience in asking for an alternative to animal dissection. Several hoops had to be jumped through, but finally I was offered an alternative. The alternative should be already and automatically in place by now, in my opinion.

Thank you,

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