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Testimony in support of bills HB5078 to delay implementation of common core's standard and tests and HB5331 to revise guidelines for school district's teacher evaluations.

I wish to support these bills but I ask that you change the language in HB 5078 to require an independent research organization outside of the state (e.g., Mathematica) to conduct a study on the impact of implementing Common Core’s standards and SBAC on school districts in the state. It is inappropriate to ask the state’s Department of Education to conduct such a study since it participated in developing Common Core’s standard and SBAC.

Thank you for taking the time to read this testimony on this very important issue.