

Testimony for Senate Bill 317

I support the Senate Bill 317, An Act Concerning Dyslexia but I am requesting an amendment that candidates seeking a remedial reading endorsement complete a graduate level program aligned with evidence-based practices and the IDA Knowledge and Practice Standards for Teachers of Reading.

I have two boys who have been recently diagnosed by an independent psychologist with Dyslexia after requesting testing from the school for many years. The PPT team kept telling us that “he is just a boy and don’t worry,” or “his learning difficulties are all related to his attention issues” Both boys have lost precious years of reading support. My oldest son is now 17 and my youngest is 12. It is very disheartening that teachers aren’t trained properly to detect dyslexia.

Sincerely,

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