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Testimony in Support of
S.B. No. 318, 'An Act Concerning Private School Transportation'
Before the Education Committee
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To: Education Committee
Ted Kennedy
Lonnie Reed
Sean Scanlon

As the parents of four children attending St. Mary School in Branford, we support S.B. No. 318. Families need access to Catholic schools and the inter district school bus is critical for many families, urban and suburban. This would increase the chances of school success in a time when Catholic schools are closing across the state of CT. It will allow for families to choose a Catholic school in a neighboring town.

Saint Mary School has provided an excellent academic experience for our children, but more importantly, it sticks to its mission working with the family in laying the foundation for a life of purpose and meaning, by teaching virtue and seeking truth. We need these Catholic schools to succeed. Families need to have access to Catholic schools, now more than ever.

For these reasons, we urge the committee to support S.B. No. 318.

Sincerely,

Catherine and Tim Shannon