Dear honorable committee members,

My name is Ronan Allison and I am a 7th grader at Ledyard Middle School. I am writing to support Bill No. SB359, specifically “Prohibiting the disaggregation of student data by Ethnic or Racial Subgroups in the Public School Information System.” I will be coming to the public hearing.

I think that this bill is good because collecting student data based on their ethnic subgroups is racial profiling and wrong. It is unfair to have students judged by their ethnic backgrounds. If information about a student’s ethnic background is collected when registering for school, then it is likely that it will be used to judge and stereotype the student. This can give emotional stress to the student. I was born in New London, Connecticut. I am proud to be an American and I am proud of my ethnic heritage, but I don’t want to be judged and stereotyped based on it. By supporting this bill you will help students like me not get discriminated at school.

Sincerely

Ronan Allison