Honorable Members of Education Committee:

My name is Jin-hua Sun. I currently reside in Bucks County of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, but I lived in Connecticut State for 20 years until last year, my job was relocated to New Jersey. For 20 years, I have loved Connecticut, my neighbors, and my friends in Connecticut. I served as Principle of Southern Connecticut Chinese School from year 2009 to 2013. Because of this public service, I care of children’s equal opportunity.

I am writing to testify in regard of bill No. SB359 “Prohibiting the Disaggregation of Student Data by Ethnic or Racial Subgroups in the Public School Information System”. I support the original concept of “prohibiting educational institutions or other state agencies from mandatory collection and separation of data from students by subpopulations of national origin or ethnicity”.

I am supporting the original concept because I believe that each individual in this country is equally treated regardless of ethnicity origin. I moved to this country in year 1989 with my dream, which was to become a great scientist. I got the education in this country and set up my family. I published my work in Nature and be able to stay on the same job for 20 years. Equal opportunity is very important to me, and to others.

Please modify the bill language as to “No population of students shall be subject to data collection of ancestry nation of origin and ethnicity origin”. Please vote for bill SB359!

Thank you very much!

Yours Sincerely,

Jin-hua Sun