Dear Honorable Members of Education Committee:

My name is Justin Wang. I am a high school student living in Farmington, CT. 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” because separating people by their national origin will hurt America. My parents came from China. I was born and raised here. I am an American like all my classmates. I hope the laws, the policies of our country and our state will bring people together like a big family instead of separating them by their national origin or ethnicity.

However, I am very concerned in regard of this portion of the current bill language “unless … collected uniformly across the entire population of students”. I believe the entire population shall not be subject to registry of ancestry immigration nation of origin or ethnicity origin.

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.

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