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I am writing to express my opposition to proposed Bill 437 and Bill 738.

These proposed Bills spell disaster for the students of this state for many reasons and is not only financially irresponsible but will fail the education of our students on many levels.

If these Bills pass there will be an unavoidable increase in class size, which will lead to students receiving an even less individualized education than they require. Teachers will lose their jobs with these Bills and the money that once went to pay their salaries will be turned over to bus companies to hire more drivers and buy more buses due to the inevitable much longer bus routes.

Existing schools will close and those building will be left vacant, decreasing property taxes and increasing costs to taxpayers to continue maintating those building or repurposing them. Taxes will also increase in order to fund building g new schools to accommodate the increase in students.

These proposed Bills are unbelievably irresponsible to students, families, and taxpayers and the children of this state will suffer extreme consequences should they be passed.

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