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Education Committee  
Eric C. Berthel, State Senator, 32<sup>nd</sup> District

Dear Chairman McCrory, Chairman Sanchez, Ranking Member McCarty, and distinguished members of the Education Committee:

I am State Senator Eric Berthel, and I write in support of SB 853, **An Act Concerning The Availability Of The Real Estate Licensing Curriculum For Use In Public Schools**. The purpose of this legislation is to require the State Board of Education to make available curriculum materials at the high school level for the real estate licensing course.

I support this legislation, as it provides an additional avenue that our high school students can explore in regards to their future career goals.

We should be doing all we can in supporting our students in this regard, as introduces them to a future career path while in high school.

This legislation may also help spur interest in various fields of study, such as business, accounting, financial services, that our students may want to pursue if they are going on to an institution of higher learning.

We owe it to students to provide them with the necessary tools to achieve future success, and it is for this reason that I support passage of this legislation.

Thank you for your consideration.

Regards,

Eric C. Berthel  
State Senator – 32<sup>nd</sup> District