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**Written Testimony to House K-12 Education Budget Committee**

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BILL NUMBER: HB 2550

BILL DESCRIPTION: Creating education savings accounts

PROPONENT, OPPONENT, or NEUTRAL: Opponent

WRITTEN TESTIMONY ONLY: [choose one]

Dear Chairman & members of the committee,

I am writing to voice my opposition to bill HB 2550.

Public funding for schools should stay within the public realm, not private. Private schools have the ability to discriminate and choose children at will. Public tax dollars should not go to private, untaxed religious organizations that can, and have, refused to educate my children. St. Michaels, which is my parish, refused to teach my children due to their special needs. In short, I was told to take them to the public school. Money for public education should go to public schools and NOT to private schools that actively discriminate against others. Public funding should remain public. Period.

I ask that you oppose bill HB2550.

Thank you for your consideration,

Yvette Nguyen