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**SB0705** Ban seclusion in all public schools

Dear Legislators,

I ask that you support SB0705 and ban seclusion in all public schools. In my opinion, seclusion causes psychological damage to the student and services no positive purpose.

We need to find a better solution as no child should ever feel scared, fearful and uncomfortable at school. We are entrusting the school to do right by our students, especially our nonverbal kids that can't share their day with us.

As a grandparent of a nonverbal child in AACO, I don't ever want to see seclusion or restraints being used and do believe that the schools should have cameras in the self-contained classrooms as well.

Parents and family members deserve to feel comfortable sending their kids to school and not having to worry about what is happening there. It's unfortunate that many don't understand unless they have a special needs child themselves so I am asking, please put yourself in the shoes of these parents and more importantly, these children.

It is a known fact that seclusion causes harm and I highly doubt that you would like it if it happened to you.

I thank you for your support in favor of SB0705.

Respectfully,  
Kathy Mullen