

HOUSE WAYS and MEANS
HOUSE BILL 1257: Public Schools- Restorative Practices Schools- Establishment
DATE: February 28, 2024

POSITION: Support

Hello,

My name is Ms. Cortina Barnes and I am a constituent in your 41st district. I am writing to you because I would like you to support HB 1257.

I would like for schools to do more to help kids with the things that they need. As a parent who cares about her child's education I feel that teachers and staff do care but the needs are greater than what current staffing can address.

I really feel strongly about this bill because as a person who has grown up feeling that I had no support from school and that my teacher didn't care, I felt like I couldn't learn. I have disabilities and without caring from educators, I dropped out of school. If there was a person that was there to help me I believe in myself, I would have finished school. Now as a parent I am fighting for education to change so that our kids get the caring that they need to do well in life.