

# Testimony For HB1385

Honorable Delegates

I support

1. Requiring each county board of education, in consultation with certain individuals, to develop and implement a certain policy to promote parental involvement in students' education; and
2. establishing a complaint and appeals process for violations of a certain policy.

One key to the success of students is parental involvement in their kids' schooling, especially in elementary school.

Parents should be encouraged to visit the classroom and if possible volunteer to assist their kids' teachers. They should be able to discuss any homework, curriculum and discipline with their kids' teachers, and if necessary, the school principal.

Another key parental right is the ability to opt out of any policy or curriculum they believe is not appropriate for their child.

Also parents should be encouraged to attend Board of Education, County Council and State Assembly meetings and hearings to express their opinions on educational policy and funding.

Please enter a favorable report for HB1385.

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