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HB 1166: Education – Physical Restraint and Seclusion
Requirements, Reporting, and Training

Hi my name is Cooper Stephens. I am 15 years old and when I was in the 5th grade and 8th grade I was restrained and secluded. It was a very traumatic experience. I also saw many other kids getting restrained and secluded. It made me feel frustrated, especially when it was one of my friends. I don't think teachers should have the right to restrain and seclude kids. They should find different alternatives. Teachers should get training so they don't need to do this. This is why **I support HB 1166** and hope you will help so other kids don't have this happen to them.

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