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Testimony on behalf of Winning Strategies: Fatherhood, The Courts & Custody
In Favor of Senate Bill 42 – Child Custody – Relocation of Child – Expedited Hearing
(Assurance of Child's Safety Act)
Before the Judicial Proceedings Committee
On January 31, 2023

Mr. Chairman, Vice Chair and Members of the Committee:

Senate Bill 42 provides fathers with equity when it comes to acknowledging the fact of his importance in the life of the child(ren) when parents have a mutual respect towards each other and when there's no communication, but the father would like to be in the life of his child(ren).

This bill will address the kidnapping of a child(ren). Our nonprofit organization assist fathers when mothers are threatening to take the child(ren). This will limit the likelihood of a kidnapping by the mother.

When we assist fathers in the community appoint fathers in the right direction out the Best Interest of the Child missing. This bill has the potential to has the potential to enable fathers to care, love and have uninterrupted access the child(ren). The only arguments against this bill would come from the special interests' groups and the organization that is for helping the mothers only. Fathers need uninterrupted access to their children; did you not have that? When it comes to data, in 2022 we helped 75 fathers came to us for assistance, when they had intake session 32% dealt with. However, 100% feels as though she needs to go to jail for kidnapping. We pray that this bill makes it through onto the next chapter of its political life.

As such, we urge the committee to give SB Bill 42.

Respectfully,

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