

March 15, 2021

Dear Chairman Brenner, Vice-chair Blessing, Ranking member Fedor, and members of the Senate Primary and Secondary Education Committee,

My name is Christina Vaught. I testify today as a parent of former students in the Kent, Ohio, public school system. My interest in establishing funding and curriculum for coursework in financial literacy is based simply in my personal belief that it is a necessary life skill. Financial literacy helps our youth to prepare to take responsibly for managing their income, bills, loan applications, repayment responsibilities, and can offer lessons about various vehicles for saving money for the future.

The world of finance is fast-moving and changeable. New forms of currency are being introduced and our children must be both fully informed about each as well as wary of illegal schemes which may threaten financial security.

Please consider my testimony as a concerned citizen and parent who, as we all do, wants our children to receive the most comprehensive public school education available.

Respectfully,

Christina Vaught