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HB 445 Proponent Testimony

Chair Manning, Vice Chair Fowler Arthur, Ranking Member Robinson and members of the House Primary and Secondary Education Committee, thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony on House Bill 445. My name is Julie Branim and I am from Allen County.

I am writing to you today to voice the importance of all parents having the opportunity to choose released time religious instruction at their school. Being a parent of 3, I know my children and I also know what is best for my children. We as parents should have the right to decide whether our child includes religious education in their schedule. Having the option of religious instruction in public schools will benefit the families of that school and the community as a whole as moral and character education has been proven to be a positive impact!

Thank you for allowing me the opportunity to advocate for House Bill 445.

Sincerely,

Julie Branim