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 Larry Creager and I am from Henry County.

HB 445 is a critically important amendment that needs to be ratified. It will allow parents to determine if they want their children to be in a released time program for religious education. As a volunteer for Lifewise Academy, I have seen the impact it makes on the students, it helps to build key character traits that will further enhance their lives in a positive manner.

Thank you for allowing me the opportunity to advocate for HB 445.

Sincerely

Larry Creager