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Dear Ohio Senate,

I am writing to urge you to support fair funding for Ohio's public schools. Our taxpayer dollars should be dedicated to public education, not diverted to private institutions. Here are the key reasons to advocate for fair funding:

- **Reduces reliance on local levies:** By increasing state funding and basing it on the actual cost of educating students, we can lessen the burden on local taxpayers.
- **Prevents diversion of local funds:** Ensuring that local money is not redirected to private schools and charters, and placing the funding responsibility with the state.
- **Provides stability for districts:** Creating consistent and predictable funding for school districts year after year.
- **Supports economically disadvantaged students:** Increasing funding to better serve students in need.

The proposed state budget threatens to put our schools in a state of emergency, which will negatively impact everyone.

Please represent your constituents and protect our public schools.

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