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Opposition Testimony on SB133

To Chairman Rulli, Vice-Chair Lang, Ranking Member Sykes, and the Small Business and Economic Opportunity Committee members: Thank you for considering my testimony as I urge you to vote no on Senate Bill 133.

Hello my name is Rhonda Smith. I am a licensed cosmetologist educator. I have held my license for 21 years and have had the pleasure of being a business owner for half of those years. I am opposed to bill SB-133 because it drastically cuts the much needed education hours that is needed for our students to grow and thrive in our field of expertise. Cutting the hours will also affect students that benefit from applying for financial aid. Qualifying for financial aid gives individuals the opportunity to make a livable wage without going to college. As a state we should set these individuals up for the opportunity to be self employed and have the opportunity to own their own business not to set them up to be employees to make pennies. I'm asking that the bill SB-133 be vetoed and shut down once and for all.

Thank You

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