

March 23, 2023

The Honorable Representative Barbara McLachlan, Chair
The Honorable Representative Matthew Martinez, Vice Chair
The Honorable Representative Jennifer Bacon
The Honorable Representative Mary Bradfield
The Honorable Representative Eliza Hamrick
The Honorable Representative Anthony Hartsook
The Honorable Representative Meghan Lukens
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The Honorable Representative Rose Pugliese
The Honorable Representative Don Wilson
The Honorable Representative Mary Young
House Education Committee
State of Colorado
State Capitol Building
200 East Colfax, Room 346
Denver, CO 80203

Honorable Representatives of the House Education Committee:

The Board of Douglas County Commissioners respectfully submits its support for House Bill 23-1208. We would prefer to be with you in person to express our support, however we are meeting with our Congressional Delegation in Washington, D.C. this week.

We support this Bill as it will allow a refundable state income tax credit to help offset various expenses that licensed teachers often incur throughout an academic year for classroom supplies, professional development costs, supplemental educational materials, field trips, and other items that improve the quality of the educational services that they provide.

Teachers need adequate resources and support to do their best work for all children in their classroom.

Your support of this bill sends a message of encouragement to teachers, demonstrates that they are valued, while also recognizing the financial hardships that sometimes accompany their profession of choice.

We respectfully request your support of HB23-1208. Thank you for the opportunity to submit our testimony electronically.

Respectfully,



Abe Laydon, Chair
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