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Dear Legislators,

My name is Lauren Kasz and I am the parent of a homeschooled 9-year-old child in Rhode Island. I am writing today in opposition of Bill H8531 because it uses subjective and vague language such as "capacity", "competency" and "best interest." Also, because the parameters are unclear, I feel that if passed, this bill could allow for inconsistent decisions during the "approval" process.

The homeschooling experience has been life-changing for my child in that it allows me to teach her to mastery and not just until the school calendar runs out in June. It allows for her to move ahead of traditional "grade level" work in areas she excels in, while also allowing for more time to

master concepts she may have a harder time with.

There are clear existing child protection laws that already apply to all families in Rhode Island, including homeschoolers. We do not wish to have them changed.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Lauren Kasz







