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House Bill 692 -- An Act Defining "Basic System of Free Quality Public Elementary and Secondary Schools"

House Select Education Committee

February 18, 2005

3:00 PM, Room 455

Jan Lombardi, Office of Public Instruction, Testimony

Madame Chair, members of the committee, for your record I am Jan Lombardi from the Office of Office of Public Instruction, and I am here representing State Superintendent Linda McCulloch.

House Bill 692, sponsored by Representative Bixby, is an excellent bill. This bill takes the aspects of SB 152, which the Office of Public Instruction supported, and expands Indian Education for All. House Bill 692 recognizes the importance and necessity of fully integrating Indian Education for All in defining a basic system of free quality public elementary and secondary schools.

We ask that you support this bill.

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