

To Minnesota Senate K-12 Education Policy Committee Members:

From Chris Stewart

Re: Strong endorsement of SF 2234

As a former Minnesota public school board member, a current parent of public school students, and a Minnesotan, I strongly endorse HF 2023, which seeks to enhance health education standards by including critical education on overdose recognition, prevention, and response.

I have seen firsthand the devastating impact drug overdoses and addiction can have on students, families, and communities. Public schools play a crucial role in preparing young people not only academically but as informed and responsible citizens. By equipping students with the knowledge and skills necessary to recognize, prevent, and respond to drug overdoses, we significantly increase their ability to protect themselves and others.

I am particularly proud to live in a state like Minnesota, where students actively engage in the civic process. The bipartisan support for this student-driven initiative highlights the state's commitment to empowering young voices. I would like you to support SF 2234 and show that Minnesota continues to prioritize all students' health, safety, and well-being.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Chris Stewart