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BILL # or SUBJECT: HJR 1
COMMITTEE & DATE: Rep. Gutis 22 Feb 13

I have been a resident since Jan 1966.
My⁸ children have attended homeschool,
private school, public schools — both
urban and rural. Two attended ^{the} UAA system and 2 private
schools out of state.

This issue is one of freedom. We
have freedom to choose housing, food, healthcare,
transportation — often with subsidy of
government funds or tax credits. It is
peculiar that in the area of elementary
and high school education we insist on
monopoly and bureaucracy over freedom
of choice.

I also note that for college education
the state provides funds and subsidies
for private, public and religious colleges.
Why continue to prohibit freedom of
choice for parents and their children when
it comes to elementary and high school?

I support freedom, and I support HJR 1.

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