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**WRITTEN PROPONENT TESTIMONY FOR HB 2136**

Thank you, Madam Chair Estes, and members of the House Education Committee for the opportunity to testify in favor of HB 2136, the low-income tax credit student scholarship bill.

My name is Jason Kolb and my sons Silas and Rowan attend St. James Catholic school. The low income tax credit scholarship program has significantly helped our school and the other schools in our diocese provide a quality education to many children. Some of these children come from low income backgrounds who might otherwise not have the opportunity. We believe expanding student eligibility under the tax credit for low income students scholarship program would further assist our schools in providing the best education possible to children from all backgrounds.

In conclusion, please support HB 2136 so all children have the opportunity for an education that best suits their needs.

Thank you.

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