



Announcement of STATEHOUSE HEARING April 13, 2017

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STATE HOUSE HEARING
of the Joint Committee of Education Thursday, April 13, 2017,
10 am, Room A2

Be prepared to testify on behalf of
S.232 An Act for language opportunity for our kids

Plan to testify?
Please let us know. Email [Phyllis Hardy](mailto:PhyllisRHardy@gmail.com)

GUIDANCE FOR ORAL TESTIMONIALS

Testimonials that tell a story about individuals are very powerful. Focus on what you know and care about. Think about what you know and have experienced and present your concerns and ideas for better solutions. You have so much to offer policy conversations without having to be a data or policy expert. Plan to speak for no more than 3 minutes.

Do you know what point(s) you plan to emphasize? Want to talk it through with someone? Feel free to email me at PhyllisRHardy@gmail.com. Here is summary of the [LOOK Bill](#) developed with the Language Opportunity Coalition in case one of them resonates with you. The Coalition wants to make sure there are numerous talking points covered at the Hearing. Please send an electronic copy of your testimony so that we can post the testimonies on the Coalition blog site.

GUIDANCE FOR WRITTEN TESTIMONY

You can submit written testimony to the Chairs of the committee and cc: your State Senator and State Representative. Here is the list of names for the [Joint Education Committee Chairs and members](#). Bring a written copy of our testimony to leave with the committee, as well. You can bring just one copy of testimony, and the staff will make copies for the Committee files, or you can bring enough for all committee members (~20) if you prefer. You can bring other visual handouts to attach with your testimony, too.

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- Limit the text to 1.5 pages
- Include your name, address, where you work or study, what you do for work,
- State "I am
- State I am in favor of the bill S232 (Look Bill) and this is why.
- Pick one action point listed in the [LOOK Bill Fact Sheet](#) and speak to that.
- State "I recommend that bill S232 (Look Bill) should be passed.