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RE: S291 An Act relative to geography education
DT: 9 September 2015

Dear Honorable Chairs and Members of the Joint Committee on Education,

Thank you for considering bill *S291, An Act relative to geography education* before your committee.

This bill was brought to my attention via a constituent who teaches geography locally. It is imperative that students are taught about the world around them. Anyone who watches the news or is politically active knows the importance of geography and world affairs. The bill would create a commission to study geography education within the Commonwealth and make recommendations to improve it.

Thank you for your time and attention to this matter. Once again, I urge you to report out favorably *S291, An Act relative to geography education*.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Paul Heroux".

Paul Heroux