



Alliance for Regulatory Coordination

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Honorable Senator Wanggaard and Representative Spiros
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Dear Senator Wanggaard and Representative Spiros:

The Alliance for Regulatory Coordination is opposed to Senate Bill 53 and Assembly Bill 44, now before the Senate Committee on Judiciary and Public Safety and the Assembly Committee on Criminal Justice and Public Safety. Alliance members are concerned about unintended consequences likely to arise from the use of barricade devices on interior doors of schools.

While we applaud efforts to keep students and teachers safe from intruders, we are concerned about barricade devices that are not in compliance with nationally accepted codes and standards. Such non-compliant devices can hinder access to classrooms by emergency responders, and can actually facilitate false imprisonment and other criminal actions against students and teachers if such devices are employed by perpetrators once inside the room.

We ask that you forego public hearings on these proposals, and instead, encourage the Wisconsin Department of Safety and Professional Services to adopt the most current national codes and standards applicable to door hardware for interior doors in school buildings. Cost effective, code compliant, high security door hardware is readily available in Wisconsin.

We appreciate your attention to this issue and would be happy to discuss it with you.

Sincerely,

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