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LD 217

I strongly support LD217 which allows public schools that house grades 9-12 to have condoms available through the school nurse for those students engaging in sex. I am the grandparent of an 18 year old that I have a close relationship with, but I don't think she would be comfortable asking me to buy her condoms. The American Pediatric Association is in favor of supplying condoms for the prevention of STD's which affect many young people who don't use protection. This bill would be a preventative measure for decreasing STD's and pregnancies that force teens into life changing situations. The school nurse is a safe person for these teens to go to without judgement. In the event that the school does not have a full time nurse, then condoms would be given out by a person authorized by a school nurse. I urge you to support the passing of this important bill.