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Bradley statement on defeating Anti-Education Freedom Account legislation

SB 252 would undermine EFA's and
the roles of parents in determining their children's education

CONCORD, NH – Majority Leader Jeb Bradley (R-Wolfeboro) issued the following statement today regarding the defeat of SB 252:

"Since the legislature established Education Freedom Accounts (EFA) last year, the program has been a tremendous success. 1,800 hardworking New Hampshire families have taken advantage of the opportunity to determine the best educational path for their children. That is why SB 252 is so disappointing. It's simply another attempt to tear down EFA's and all the positive changes this program has created for so many deserving students. The legislation would have required property tax bills to include information regarding the amount disbursed from the state's Educational Trust Fund to pay for the program in a way that would have made it seem like local property taxes were increasing to pay for EFA's. EFA legislation provided 'transition grants' to ensure property taxes no not increase."

"Opponents of educational choice have made it clear from their repeated attempts to repeal EFA's that they don't support parents or students when it comes to providing the educational opportunity children need," Bradley added.

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