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State Representative Mark Meirath Files Bill to Reform Education Funding in Missouri

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo. – State Representative Mark Meirath proudly announced the filing of House Bill 1024, also known as the “Defunding Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion in Elementary and Secondary Education Act”. This legislation aims to redefine the use of state funding for educational institutions in Missouri by prohibiting public schools and colleges from using taxpayer dollars to fund programs or initiatives related to diversity, equity, and inclusion (DEI).

“We need to ensure that state resources are being directed to programs that strengthen the education of our students without promoting divisive ideologies,” stated Rep. Meirath, R-Excelsior Springs. “HB 1024 would put education first and ensure that our classrooms remain places of learning and growth, not political indoctrination.”

HB 1024 is just one of the pieces of legislation Rep. Meirath has introduced at the start of the session. He hopes to garner support from his colleagues to pass laws that will position Missouri as a leader in safeguarding citizens and looks forward to advancing policies that will better life for his constituents and every Missourian.

Representative Mark Meirath, a Republican, represents part of Clay County (District 39), including the cities of Excelsior Springs and Kearney, in the Missouri House of Representatives. He was elected to his first term in November 2024. For more information, please contact Rep. Meirath by phone at 573-751-1468 or email at Mark.Meirath@house.mo.gov.

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