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New Jersey--Follow Up--Calls Needed
Immediately to Block Restrictive Homeschool Bill

Dear HSLDA Members and Friends,

We have received reports that some lawmakers have received hundreds of calls from you! Thank you! If you have not gotten through yet, please keep calling.

However, please stop calls to Assemblyman Deignan. He has publicly stated that he opposes the bill. We deeply appreciate his willingness to stand up for what is right.

Unity is of utmost importance in blocking this oppressive bill. The New Jersey homeschool task force is the most visible expression of homeschool unity in the state during this hour of need. The organizations and people of the task force have served homeschoolers for many years--decades in some cases. During a crisis like this, many well-intentioned people will offer advice, thinking they know what is best. Following task force recommendations, rather than those of others, however, will help us remain unified and powerful.

You may hear rumors of awful things about to happen. Please take these lightly unless they come from the task force. For example, one unsubstantiated rumor that has made its rounds is that there is about to be a committee hearing on this bill. Not true. The members of the task force are staying highly alert, and we will let you know as promptly as possible if some new threat or urgency arises. At the same time, we do not know everything. If you obtain reliable information you think we need to know, please pass it on immediately.

The organizations of the New Jersey homeschool task force are: HSLDA, Catholic Homeschoolers of New Jersey (Kevin Kiernan), Eagle Forum of New Jersey (Carolee Adams), Education Network Of Christian Homeschoolers of New Jersey (Mark August), New Jersey Homeschool Association (Nan McVicker), and Unschoolers Network (Nancy Plent).

Thank you for standing with us for freedom.

Sincerely yours,

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