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TO: Senator Luther Olsen

FROM: State Representative Steve Nass

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RE: **SB 619 – State Standards Board – Senate GOP Opposition**

I am aware of your comments in the media today alleging that at least 5 GOP state senators oppose SB 619. The timing of your statement is curious since the Senate Education Committee is holding a public hearing today on SB 619.

As a co-author of SB 619, I am clearly on record regarding my position on this issue. In the weeks leading up to the introduction of SB 619, you and your staff were involved with the process. It had been understood you were supportive of the current version of SB 619 which in fact played a role in it being introduced.

Now, this important legislation is being attacked from behind closed doors by un-named senators. The time has come for elected officials to stand up and be counted. Members of both houses should be courageous enough to take a position on one of the most important education policies addressed this session.

If you and four other senators oppose this legislation let them go on record by voting. The public deserves to know precisely how elected officials feel on SB 619.

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