



**SENATOR PEGGY LEHNER**  
6th Ohio Senate District

**Committees:**  
Education (Chair)  
Finance- Education Subcommittee  
Medicaid  
Health and Human Services  
Criminal Justice

Dear Educator,

Recently the President of the Ohio Senate announced the creation of a Senate Advisory Committee on Testing comprised of teachers, school administrators, parents, legislators, and members of the Ohio State Board of Education. The purpose of this committee is to provide expert advice to the Senate on issues relating to testing in our schools. While the immediate task of this committee will be to help us evaluate the new PARCC and AIR assessments, the committee is also tasked with reviewing Ohio's testing requirements in general. The committee will consider questions such as: Are we testing too much? Are we using the appropriate tests? and so on. As Chairman of the Senate Education Committee, I have been asked to head up this special committee.

In order to address the future of the current state tests, we would greatly appreciate your feedback on the tests now that you have had the opportunity to administer at least the first half of the tests. The attached survey is very short but will provide valuable information to the advisory committee on those aspects of the test that may or may not be problematic. It would be enormously helpful if you would take a few minutes to complete this survey by March 23, 2015. Thank you very much for your time and dedication to the students of Ohio.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Peggy Lehner".

Peggy Lehner  
Chairman, Ohio Senate Education Committee