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Dear Senate Education Sub-committee,

My name is Jordan Zakery, Legislative Director for [ExcelinEd in Action](https://www.excelinedinaction.org). Our organization works with state lawmakers and partner organizations to pass legislation that empowers families with educational opportunities, prepares students for college and career, prioritizes early literacy grounded in the science of reading, expands innovation and strengthens school performance.

I am writing to express ExcelinEd in Action's support for Iowa SSB 1025, which would allow students who are taking an online course to take a proctored online summative assessment.

We are pleased to see Iowa taking action to support learners in an online learning environment. SSB 1025 enhances the student's ability to take the assessment in an environment that is geared towards individualized learning.

We urge you to pass SSB 1025 to allow students to take the summative assessment in a controlled and proctored but individualized setting to promote students learning.

Thank you for your consideration of this important policy.

Respectfully,

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