

January 26, 2012

Dear Sir/Madam:

Re: Senate Bill No. 278

I am sending this on behalf of my friend Nita Hibshman, who is the aunt of Rhianna Morawitz –

I've read Senate Bill No. 278 and strongly urge you to pass it for the safety of our children and others involved in the school environment. This bill is just the tip of the iceberg, there needs to be a zero tolerance for bullying, after the first offense there should not be any additional offenses tolerated. On the second offense the person/people involved should be expelled forever from the school they attend and be sent to another school to finish their education.

I also believe that the parents of these bullies need to be held accountable for the actions of their children. These parents need to take an active role in their children's lives and be supportive of the teachers and school administrators in providing discipline.

We have all witnessed grief of parents, family, relatives, friends and loved ones of the innocent victims who us as adults and law makes have let down. The loss of Rhianna Morawitz will be in the hearts and minds of all who knew her forever.

Regards,


Sandra A. Kraatz