



2016 Dyslexia Day at the Capitol

Minnesota Senate Building

April 5, 2016

- 8:15** Arrive in front of Room 2412 in the Minnesota Senate Building
- 8:30-10:30** Education Committee Hearing Room 2412, MN Senate Building
- 10:30-12** Meeting with your Senator and Representative and Lunch
- 10:40-10:55** Meeting with Senator Wiger – Chair of the Education Committee, Room 3219. This is for Senator Wiger’s constituents and for those who do not have a meeting with their Legislators during this time.
- 11:45** Start gathering outside of Room 2308 for the Rally
- 12-2** Rally in Room 2308. Refreshments will be served outside the room as no food is allowed in the room.
- All Day** Make an appointment and visit your Legislators.
- After the Rally** Keep in contact! Please sign up on our website at www.decodingdyslexiamn.org. Our website helps us contact members in particular districts when events are happening. Also, please sign up for our google group for emails at <http://groups.google.com/group/decoding-dyslexia-mn>. Currently, we are unable to link the website and google group.

Key Messages:

1. **Literacy / Dyslexia Specialists SF2308 / HF2696**- Create positions for specialists at the MN Department of Education and the six Regional Centers of Excellence who are highly trained in dyslexia and related disorders. Their expertise would be utilized regarding screening, using scientific evidence-based interventions, and developing and providing professional development to teachers. They will serve as a primary source of information to support school districts and parents.
2. **Reading Tax Credit SF2283 / HF2793**- A temporary solution giving families a \$3,000 tax credit to pay for proper reading instruction outside of school.

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