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**FINE FILES BILL TO PUBLISH ALL EDUCATION TESTS**

**Palm Bay, FL** – Today, State Representative Randy Fine (R-53, South Brevard) filed HB 549, a bill that would require the Department of Education to release, beginning in the summer of 2017, and then every three years thereafter, all state-mandated tests used in public schools in the State of Florida. A companion bill is expected to be filed in the Senate shortly.

“I was compelled to run for office after my first grade son was told that nine plus six did not equal fifteen – and would not be marked correct on future state testing,” said Fine. “Instead, he was forced to learn a tortured, four-minute, Common Core explanation. I have spoken to countless parents in my district who have had similar nightmares.

“As parents – and taxpayers – we have the right to know what we are paying for. And we are not without precedent. The SAT and other national standardized tests are published after their use, and thus are able to be evaluated by the general public. So should the tests given our children.

“In life, we inspect what we expect. And if we are measuring the wrong things, our focus will be misdirected. I believe that exposing these tests to parents, teachers, students, and the general public will allow us all to gain a common understanding of where our students are presently being focused and allow us to ensure that the billions of dollars we are spending to prepare them for successful lives are being spent in the most optimal manner. “

**ABOUT RANDY FINE:** Randy Fine is the State Representative from District 53, which is comprised of the southern portion of Brevard County and includes the entirety of Palm Bay, Malabar, and Grant-Valkaria, and portions of Melbourne, West Melbourne, and unincorporated Brevard. Representative Fine is a third-generation Floridian, married to his wife Wendy, and together they have two boys, Jacob and David. A lifelong entrepreneur, Randy started his first business while in college and his second after graduating with distinction from Harvard Business School. Randy is the Cubmaster of Cub Scout Pack 391 and is an active Junior Achievement volunteer instructor.

**Committees and Subcommittees:**

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