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## **MEDIA ADVISORY**

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**\*\*\* Media Advisory for Thursday, January 13, 2022 \*\*\***

## **Representative Hunschofsky and Parkland Parent Tony Montalto to Present Student Mental Health Bill in Committee**

**TALLAHASSEE, Fla. – State Representative Christine Hunschofsky (D-Parkland)** will be presenting [HB 899: Mental Health of Students](#) in the Education and Employment Subcommittee and will be joined by [Tony Montalto](#), father of Gina Montalto and President of [Stand with Parkland](#) who will offer testimony in favor of the bill.

**House Bill 899** updates school services to ensure that whole families are made aware of available mental health services, not just the student. Current law provides for school-based and community-based mental health resources to be made available to our students. This legislation will expand upon that by providing information about web-based directories or guides for local behavioral health services to the students' parents and household members. This will help both the student and their family get the care they need and ensure continuity of care.

**WHO:** **Representative Christine Hunschofsky  
Tony Montalto**

**WHAT:** Early Learning & Education Subcommittee

**WHEN:** Thursday, January 13, 2022  
9:00 AM

**WHERE:** 102 House Office Building

Members of the media wishing to speak to Mr. Montalto can contact [Beth.Lerner@myfloridahouse.gov](mailto:Beth.Lerner@myfloridahouse.gov) for assistance.

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