

To the members of the Education Committee,

Senate Bill 52 requires that an “education plan” be developed for *“lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer, two-spirit, intersex, asexual, nonbinary or another minority gender identity or sexual orientation population.”*

This is quite an ambitious undertaking considering that each of these orientations, and countless others yet to be discovered or invented, will need their own carefully tailored plans.

While we are working overtime to divide ourselves by race, let’s not miss the opportunity to further balkanize the population and create as many separate and competing factions as possible. It’s all about unity.

It’s particularly timely to be spending vast sums of taxpayer money on this when virtually all schools are closed, students are struggling with the totally failed substitute of “distance learning” and “Oregon My Oregon” (soon to be rewritten) is once again at the very bottom of the heap, educationally speaking.

While young people across the state are losing valuable time, being separated from their peers, and being denied the chance to engage in things like sports, the Oregon legislature thinks it’s a valuable use of time and the costly services of Legislative Counsel to draft a bill that creates as many divisions as possible. And clearly you are only

getting started.

I look forward to learning what other minority gender identities will be discovered and require their own costly plans but I am pleased that you are at least delaying your intentions to legalize prostitution, end fines for young criminals, give the governor power to seize people's property, allow convicted drug felons to become teachers, and, of course, turn law abiding gun owners into criminals.

But I am confident you'll get around to it.

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