

House Transportation & Economic Development Committee

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Testimony from Sandra Bishop

on behalf of Driving School Association of Oregon (DSAO)

HB 2264 - Support

Good afternoon Chair Read, members of the Committee. Thank you for allowing me to address the Committee this afternoon.

My name is Sandra Bishop, I'm here today representing the Driving School Association of Oregon. I have with me Loree Nosack. Loree owns and operates a commercial driving school that serves the Portland metro area. She is a private provider of the ODOT/Traffic Safety Division approved teen driver education courses.

There are approximately a dozen commercial driving schools operating in Oregon as private businesses regulated under DMV certification. Approximately 30% of the teen drivers in Oregon take Driver Education courses provided by 3 to 5 of those commercial driving schools. Many under contract with school districts.

We are here today to support HB 2264. The Driving School Association of Oregon (DSAO) supports the major intent of HB 2264, which is to provide equity and fairness in the reimbursement to all providers of state approved teen driver education courses in Oregon. It is very important to make Driver Education more available and affordable for Oregon teens.

DSAO is encouraged to work in partnership with the ODOT/TSD Driver Education Program to enhance the safety of young drivers and the public on our highways.

Thank you for your time.

We would be glad to answer any questions you may have.

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