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Subject: Oppose SB 215: Sunset the OEIB!

Chair Roblan and member of the Senate Education Committee,

The Oregon Education Investment Board, led by the governor appointed Chief Education Officer, has been a costly failure. The first year was marked by the abrupt departure of CEEdO Rudy Crew, which earned public scorn because Crew's job history of earning big bucks and abandoning jobs was well known. (Never mind that Crew was too busy earning money on his own private enterprise. See

http://www.oregonlive.com/education/index.ssf/2013/07/more_details_emerge_on_ex-oreg.html.)

This hiring blunder was made by the OEIB, apparently blinded by that kind of resume.

The OEIB, appointed by the Governor/Superintendent, are responsive to their corporate base, heavy on "accountability" metrics and pet projects for which there's insufficient revenue. Never mind that Oregon can boast the largest classrooms, the OEIB is finding more and more ways to spend k-12 money on early education (nearly \$1 billion this next biennium), post-secondary education and "personalized" learning of the digital variety. The OEIB would gladly flip more teachers out of the classroom if it means that more dollars are privatized away from educators to their own initiatives.

It's a matter of trust. The OEIB is not accountable to the public because we cannot throw them out through the electoral process.

It will be a beautiful Oregon sunset when the OEIB is gone.

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