

Good afternoon honorable committee members,

As you are all familiar with my previous testimony and position on this bill I wanted to come back today to add some new developments and suggest possible amendments to the current bill.

First of all since our last communications our school has begun implementation of the Smarter Balanced Assessment. As we look at the logistical nightmare of organizing this lengthy assessment for over 400 students all over Oregon having secure locations with enough internet access is a huge hurdle. In the past public libraries have been a staple in our planning for testing. Recently I was informed that at the Bend Public Library we can only schedule 1 hour of testing a week and Springfield has limited us to 1 day per week. In both of these regions we are now faced with implementing testing without public libraries. Drop in centers in these locations could help tremendously.

Secondly as far a fiscal impact I would like to suggest a waiver for any facility developed prior to the approval of this bill. For schools who have already developed and invested public dollars into facilities. This is a common sense amendment that ensures public dollars are not wasted.

Finally I would like to suggest that charter schools may open up facilities for the purposes of testing, tutoring, and as a place for meetings by simply informing the resident district. Oregon Department of Education can develop rules associated to testing and support centers. We do not need these facilities for instruction as that happens online by design in our school.

Thank you for considering my testimony again members of the committee.

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*All the best,*

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