Dear Senate Education Committee:

As members of the Lake Oswego School Board, we are concerned about SB 1002 and student safety.

The bill says it can remove liability from a school district for any civil or criminal actions between a private tutor and the public student on whose behalf the tutor provides services.

The bill does not remove liability for any other students the tutor might engage while on school property, unsupervised.

Schools work very hard to keep students safe. This bill generously addresses the tutoring aspect without addressing the safety aspects that schools take very seriously.

Schools should be able to deal with this issue as appropriate for their district and their resources. This bill does not recognize the responsibility of school districts to keep students safe.

Please give full consideration of student safety and local supervision of student activities including tutoring in consideration of this bill.

Sincerely,
Members of the Lake Oswego School Board
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