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**Subject:** House Bill 4013

Dear House Education Committee,

It is my understanding that you have decided to use an “anonymous” committee emergency bill 4013 to silence an opponent immediately. The best way to silence your opponents is to address them directly with facts or measurable answers or solutions that will hold up under public scrutiny over time. Covering behind an “anonymous” committee bill on which you are ashamed to place your names demonstrates how low you are willing to stoop, so low you will not even allow your name to be associated with the bill.

If Kim Sordyl is getting traction with the public, perhaps the State Board of Education should change its ways. If she is making a fool of herself, that will lead to her silencing. The people of Oregon don't want you wasting your time on silencing critics and micromanaging a statewide elected official. We want better education for our children. Do your job and put your name proudly on every bill you produce. Don't hide behind a fig leaf of “anonymous” cowardice.

Answer the hard education questions Oregonians are asking. What measurable difference has the Education Committee made, and why is Oregon still ranked 47<sup>th</sup> in the nation for high school graduation? What has the Education Committee done to see we get a better return on the tax dollars paid per student? What steps has the Education Committee made to ensure parents have more educational options for their children? Or should this question be worded “What steps has the Education Committee taken to ensure parents have less educational options for their children? How many good ideas have died in committee, strangled by the hands of the Chair?” Why does the Legislature keep kicking the PERS can down the road? Why isn't Education funding occurring early in legislative sessions so school boards can reliably create their budgets when the law requires them to be completed?

Thank you,  
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