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TO: House Higher Education and Workforce Development Committee
FROM: Anthony Whipple
SUBJECT: SB 1557
DATE: February 22nd, 2017

Chair Reardon and Members of the Committee:

My name is Anthony Whipple and am currently attending the University of Oregon as an Earth Sciences major. I also am currently serving in the United States Army Reserve and have previously served in the Oregon National Guard. I fully support this bill because of my own experiences while serving. I have had to drop classes due to being called to serve. I was forced to either withdraw from the course or take a failing grade. This created unnecessary financial and academic hardships due to not having protections for us service members. I want students who are also serving to be able to have as much support as possible because no service member should be penalized for doing their duty. Please vote yes on HB 1557

Sincerely,

Anthony Whipple

Respectfully,

William Iversen
ASUO Executive
Chief of Staff

