HB3063 would harm my family as well as everyone in Oregon, but it will harm the children the most, even homeschooled children such as my oldest son. Vaccines lower incidence of disease but aren't 100% effective and outbreaks due to primary and secondary vaccine failure are common. Kicking kids out of school won't prevent outbreaks. The state of California, for example, passed a mandatory vaccine law for all school children in 2015 and yet there is a pertussis outbreak right now in LA county. Vaccines are a medical procedure and they carry risk and it is important for each individual to receive vaccines only after they have given informed consent so they can weigh the risks and benefits for themselves. Where there is risk, there must be choice! Segregation isn't the answer! Homeschooling is not an option for all people and this bill will coerce some Oregon parents into violating their conscience so that their kids can have an education or go to daycare and that is unfair.

This bill also punishes homeschooling parents that utilize internet based/distance learning charter schools. My older son utilizes a web based curriculum from home and he is receiving a quality education and is doing very well but this program will no longer be available to him if this bill passes.

My youngest son is currently in public school but will be excluded if this bill passes. The schools will lose funding when they lose students. The schools suffer when they lose funding. I vehemently oppose HB3063!