

## **Oregon Can do a Science Safety Review With Very Little Budgetary Requirements by Following the Model Used by Maryland**

This task force was created by a law and it does not cost anything because the participants are volunteers and are paid within their jobs - for example the Department of Education will appoint someone who is their representative on the council and of course that person is paid by the Department of Education. Once every three months they go to a meeting. There are representatives from various departments at that meeting. In addition there are representatives who are appointed but not affiliated with an agency. So the Maryland State House has one representative, the Maryland State Senate has another representative and (I believe) they are paid for their time via their current jobs.

There are some people who volunteer pro bono and I believe that would be the mother on the council because there is a slot for a mother or father who has a child who has been harmed by an environmental exposure of some sort.

When people tell you that schools are broke broke you can respond that the state will be broke if this turns out to be the problem it seems to be. We will only know in another 10-15 years how bad it is.

You can also add that it will cost absolutely no money and will save money to ensure that all new schools are constructed with wired internet connections. The council has this in the report and I think that is a wonderful way into the whole discussion. All new construction should have cabled internet connections in every classroom and of course that would also mean ports along the walls probably at least eight in each classroom. This is not difficult because you're already running the electricity so you are running wires.

In Europe when they do new construction there are some countries where you cannot build in a place with high ELF You simply can't. This is similar because they're not going backwards and pulling out the power lines.