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## Dear Joint Committee Members,

My name is Maegan Lobo-Berg and I have been teaching at a title 1 school in the Beaverton School District for 11 years (15 years as a teacher). I cannot think of a more rewarding and challenging profession. I love my students and I work hard to help them grow as people and as life long learners. There have been a few years where my students and I had the good fortune of having less than 25 students in our 3rd or 2nd grade class. I have also had 39 students in a year of severe budget cuts. It will not surprise you to learn that the year with 39 was very difficult for my students both emotionally and academically. It is not possible for students to receive a safe and appropriate education with a ratio of 39 to 1. Investment in education does and will make a huge impact on kids in Oregon. With adequate funding we can meet the academic and social emotional needs of our neediest students which will greatly benefit our whole state in the years to come.

Thank you!

Sincerely,

-Maegan Lobo-Berg