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Dear Joint Committee on Student Success:

I am writing in support of HB 2019. As a parent of a public school student, and a teacher, I demand INVESTMENT in education, which will make a huge difference for kids in Oregon. The cycle of boom and bust in school funding, and the cycle of asking communities to pay for schools with bonds, is unacceptable. Oregon children deserve stability. My 4th grader has a class of 35 bilingual students in his class, and we are not even in a "cut" year yet-what will next year look like? My school district is looking to lay off hundreds of teachers again and class sizes will swell. During the last big cuts in 2012, teachers were involuntarily transferred to teach classes they were not trained to teach, and students had to suffer the consequences of Oregon's education funding problem.

Thank you so much for taking the time to listen to testimony and analyze HB 2019. I really hope it is supported and our kids get the education funding they deserve!

Sincerely,  
Stella Bergman