Please include these comments in the official record for HB 3427

Hello Committee,

I am a mother of two kids in the Beaverton School District. I have to say that EDUCATION will be the best INVESTMENT and will the one thing that will make a difference for our kids in Oregon.

Countries tend to think that the Drug industry, weapon industry and sex industry is what will bring money and rosy future to their countries but no one is thinking about how GREAT is education is for our kids to build our country and have a bright future and keep our country strong!

A country's economy becomes more productive as the proportion of educated workers increases since educated workers can efficiently carry out more tasks/ work that require literacy and critical thinking. As a result, many countries provide funding for primary and secondary education to improve economic performance.

Below are the countries which tops the ranking for the best education in the World:

- Finland
- South Korea
- Japan
- Singapore
- Hong Kong

I am sure they worked really hard and they were honest in believing their students need. That's why they ended up on that list. I don't see the United States of America on that list :(and I keep asking myself why?. We are in 2019 and we are not on that list. Hopefully we will be on that list in the near future. While in the US we have the **MOST** powerful *and EDUCATED* people, we just need them to remember and focus on how important EDUCATION is and what great INVESTMENT it will be to our kids.

I appreciate your time reading my email

Thank you شکرًا

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" If you want to go fast, go alone. If you want to go far, go together" ~

African Proverb.