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Please include these comments in the official record for HB 3427."

I have been a teacher in the Beaverton School District for 4 years but have taught for 23 years. Unfortunately the subject of budget cuts comes up in every district I have worked in. I have experience about what it does to classrooms, students and schools. I have seen classrooms getting bigger, less and less supports with staff and a increase in output work from teachers who are already stretched. Somehow Teachers always continue to amaze me because they continue to do the hard work of teaching despite what we have to work with.
Yesterday I was told my valuable work as an intervention teacher will be cut to 1/2 time next year. I currently work with over 65 students with daily intervention help. I worry about my kiddos next year not having as much support with their reading. Literacy is the cornerstone of all academics and we have made great gains this year. Students are learning to read at an increased rate and able to join their classmates who are reading on level.
Please support HB 3427 so students don't have to lose the extra help and support. I know that the education of Oregon's children is very important to you. Please keep my 65 students in mind!
Thank you ! Margaret Long

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