

To: Honorable Representative Doherty & Education Committee members  
Title: Chair, House Committee on Education Oregon State Legislature  
RE: Support for House Bill 4140

Dear Representative Doherty and other members of House Committee on Education,

I have served as the Traumatic Brain Injury Liaison for Washington, Columbia, Clatsop and Tillamook County schools for five years. Although we have made great strides in our region in building capacity for educators to serve Special Education Students identified as having had a Traumatic Brain Injury, we still have work to do. An area that is lagging is our ability to identify students who have had a recent concussion who need support to return to academic activities. Parents and educators often struggle to know what to do when a child has experienced a recent concussion. This bill would assist schools to make significant strides toward more effective and comprehensive support of students who experience brain injury at all levels

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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