

Chair Dembrow and members of the Senate Education committee,
On behalf of Foundations for a Better Oregon, FACT Oregon and Stand for Children, we wanted to share with you our letter to the State Board of Education about the recently released graduation requirements report in response to passage of Senate Bill 744.

Senate Bill 744 called for a thoughtful review of Oregon's graduation requirements. The Oregon Dept of Education initiated a tremendous effort to engage communities across the state. Then a report was rushed out with recommendations that we cannot support at this time.

We see that you will be getting a report from ODE today about this report and we ask that you keep our observations about the process and our concerns about the recommendations in mind. It is our hope and expectation that the State Board of Education will more carefully review community feedback and re-visit the report recommendations. Thank you for your consideration. Phil

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