To Whom it may concern,

I am writing this letter in desperation to my opposition of SB 223. This bill is a huge threat to my choice as a parent on what type of education and services I want to spend our money on for my children! Not to mention the threat to our religious freedom. As a family, we have made HUGE sacrifices to send our children to a private Christian school. We wanted and alternative from the public education and

Our school is currently a member of OSAA, and my child participates in football, basketball and baseball. Why would you take this opportunity away from my child, especially after the isolation created due to the COVID-19 pandemic? Again, we are choosing this school because we know that the coaches won't tolerate language and behavior that has become prevalent in public schools. Please don't take away our privilege to play in OSAA! It shouldn't matter what type of school our children attend. I send my child to private school, and I also pay Oregon taxes that pay for Oregon's public education system. My children should have the same ability to participate in extracurricular activities as their public school peers.

Please don't use our students as leverage in political fights. I ask you to stand with parents, like me, and vote 'NO' on SB 223. It's unnecessary and will only harm our children.

Thank you for your time, A very concerned parent