

Dear Senator,

I strongly oppose SB 223. This bill is a significant threat to religious freedom and parental choice. It also undermines private education in Oregon by making it subject to oversight by the state.

It is unfair to punish our children by excluding them from enriching extracurricular activities that are currently offered to both public and private school students.

It shouldn't matter what type of school our children attend. I send my children to private school, and I also pay Oregon taxes that pay for Oregon's public education system, which my children have never benefited from that. My children should have the same ability to participate in extracurricular activities as their public school peers.

I chose to enroll my child in faith-based, private education. That was my choice as a parent

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.

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