

I am definitely against this bill. I was born and raised in Oregon one of five siblings, I have four kids myself and I have 14 nieces and nephews that live in the state. I cannot believe that our school systems are literally 40th in the nation and we are considering adding these types of services. Clearly Oregon has not gotten the school system right and we are FAILING! Part of the reason we are failing is we are not keeping the main thing the main thing. We need to focus on the EDUCATION of our students. And when I am in focus I mean with all of our resources, with our minds, with our money, and with our attention. Reading writing and arithmetic. We are failing. We cannot afford to continue to add all these superfluous things to our schools that distract from what is the main thing and what we are currently failing at! We need to take a hard look at what we are not doing in the state which is educating our kids and stop being distracted by all these different things that should be handled by different parts of our community. Medical care should be obviously some thing done by doctors directed by parents not arbitrarily done at schools. We cannot afford this. The school systems clearly are struggling to pay for adequate education for our kids and to distract from that focus with medical care is unacceptable. I am disappointed that we are even discussing these types of things when the actual academic success of our schools is in such dire straits. I ask you to do your job and focus on the education of our kids and stop being distracted by these things that deter from what our focus should be which is education. I know many friends who have literally just left the state because we cannot get this right. The school system depends on taxpayer money and you are making decisions that are going to detrimentally affect the state because people are literally leaving because of the decisions you are making. Medical care is personal, It should be directed by the parents not our application assistance in this type of coverage is what is causing a huge problem in our schools.