

I STRONGLY OPPOSE SB 223 and urge you to vote NO on this blatant government overreach to gain control over Oregon private education and impose penalties on them. Private school is extremely successful at educating our children. In July of 2020, Oregon public education was RANKED IN THE BOTTOM PERCENTILE AT 40TH OUT OF ALL STATES <https://wallethub.com/edu/e/states-with-the-best-schools/5335>

SB223 violates the constitutional rights of private schools, their students and parents. It also negatively impacts public school districts, students and parents that participate in interscholastic sports and organizations with private schools.

As a parent whose children had both public and private education in Oregon, I can tell you that their private school education was FAR SUPERIOR to their public school education. I was grateful to have the CHOICE of private school for my kids without government interference.

This bill would cause an exodus of young families from Oregon. PLEASE VOTE NO ON SB 223.