Good afternoon, Chair Alonso Leon, Vice Chairs Neron and Weber, and Members of the House Education Committee,

My name is Jose Ortiz Mendoza and I am a Freshman at Umatilla High School. I am also a member of the Key Club, and a Project Lit Club.

I am Hispanic so my parents are from Mexico in search of a better life. My mom has got her Citizenship and from their collective experience as a Citizen I had been raised a household with no tolerance of bullying and hate and belief that a human cannot be illegal. I write this letter in the utmost support of House Bill 3363 as a Hispanic Men and a son of that helps Citizens. However, we cannot begin to make a change at a state or at a school because of a pandemic situation. We have raised my house with no tolerance and no bullying.

In my life my school is usually struggling to wear a mask at school within the health and safety protocols. We are fighting at Our school until the end of the pandemic. Either If I am going to tough times in life of what's going on there are some positive ways to show it is usually to fight hard and never give up. I was disappointed to see what happened on January 6, there was an assault in the capitol and either way i went through a tough time and I got support from my school counselor. And I actually got some counseling support about the shooting that happened on thursday i felt upset about it. And I am saying to all the people out there please give out some support to the bill in order for us to have no tolerance on the state,