

3/31/2021 - 3:15 PM Senate Bill 225 Senate Committee on Education

Senate Bill 225 is demanding educators and the Department of Education and I imagine the Oregon Health Authority is a cheerleader in this Bill also.

Schools are for learning and discipline by way of personal behavior benchmarks that are expected in society. Department of Education and educators do not have the training to be mental or behavioral experts nor should the state demand educators single out students in this manner. Educators enforce discipline by suspension and expulsion, suggest or may require for re-entry after suspension or expulsion that the parent/guardian to have their student evaluated. The Educational system is not the parent/guardian and are overstepping in the learning environment by being mandated to provide all students with mental and behavioral health. It's absurd and will drive educational expenses through the roof, moreover it is none of the governments damn business, it's not a state issue; it is a family issue concerning behavioral and mental health. Therefore, I strongly oppose SB 225 as written.