Dear Senators,

I am writing to you in support of SB 240. This school year, I have chosen to enroll my child in the Oregon Charter Academy. I am very grateful to have had this option. With the pandemic, this has been a great choice for our daughter and our family. We wanted a strong and consistent education for her during an uncertain time. But more importantly, I have a pre-existing health condition and wanted us to be safe at home. Our first choice would be to have her in a classroom in normal circumstances. Obviously, this was unforeseen.

If we end up with another pandemic in the future I would absolutely want the choice to have my daughter safely at home getting a quality education. In my opinion, there should be no cap on how many Oregon families are allowed to have this choice in schooling.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely, Sonya Reed Newberg, OR