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On Behalf Of:

Committee: House Committee On Education

Measure: HB4124

Dear House Education Committee Members,

I am wholly supportive of Rep. Nancy Nathanson's House Bill 4124. This bill is long overdue. Education has been infatuated with standardized testing for over 2 decades, with very little to show for it. This form of assessment is monetarily expensive and does nothing to help individual students achieve success. Instead, it unfairly labels students as "inferior", often resulting in a loss of self-esteem and an eventual dislike of school and learning. As a former teacher and current school board member I believe Oregonians have a right to know how their tax dollars are being spent and whether these expenditures are effective. Thank you so much for considering this important legislation.

Jonathan Light