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Perhaps I missed it, but I was unable to find the explanatory statement for this bill. But it is not obvious to me why it is necessary to enact, and furthermore I have no idea why it is so important that it be considered an emergency.

We should be tracking the progress of students, and we should be doing it in a detailed manner. Yes, standardized tests have limitations, but what are we trying to hide? We already know that Oregon consistently ranks low across most measures of education in this country. I don't think the solution is to bury our collective head in the sand and ignore the problem by not measuring it.