TIM KNOPP STATE SENATOR DISTRICT 27



OREGON STATE SENATE

In Support of Senate Bill 3

February 28th, 2023

Chair Dembrow, Vice Chair Robinson, and Members of the Committee

For the record, my name is Tim Knopp, State Senator for Senate District 27, encompassing Bend, Sisters, Black Butte, Tumalo, Eagle Crest and parts of Deschutes County including South Redmond.

I appreciate the opportunity to write in support of Senate Bill 3, which would require students to take, and pass, a "Future Planning" course in order to graduate from high school.

Future Planning courses, by definition, are courses that satisfy the instruction of useful post-high school graduation life. On occasion, there are courses offered by public school systems that would be considered proficient in covering these subjects, but most are not a requirement for graduation. The courses that fall under Future Planning were created to help young adults by not only giving them knowledge and experience in subjects like taxes, college prep, resume building and interviewing, and financial literacy, but also guide students in the direction of their future. Future Planning courses can provide extremely valuable tools for future generations who are about to take the next steps in their lives. Whether to prepare for the work force or four more years at a university, Future Planning courses will help students to prepare for what will come next, while equipping them with skills that they will be able to utilize for the rest of their lives.

I urge you to support SB 3

Sincerely,

Senator Tim Knopp

Senate District 27

Bend, Redmond, Tumalo, Sisters, Black Butte, Eagle Crest, and other parts of Deschutes County