

A STRONG VOICE FOR OREGON'S WORKERS

TO: Chair Fahey

Vice-Chairs Kropf and Breese-Iverson Members of the House Rules Committee

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RE: HB 2708 Classified School Employees Week

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The Oregon AFL-CIO represents 300,000 workers across Oregon and is a voice for all workers in the legislative process.

Classified education workers work directly with all students throughout each school day and share responsibility for the daily care, human connection, transportation and nutrition of kids, as well as the maintenance of school property. Workers across the state rely on classified school workers to support their children, and support the academic, mental, emotional, social, behavioral, physical, and communication needs of all Oregon's students from early childhood learning and K-12, through community college.

Designating the first week of March as "Classified School Employees Week" is an important way to honor the dedication and sacrifices classified school employees make and the impact they have everyday on our communities. We encourage your support of HB 2708.

