Submitter: Donald Allgeier

On Behalf Tillamook County Library

Of:

Committee: Joint Committee On Ways and Means Subcommittee On General

Government

Measure: SB5518

Hello Joint Committee Members,

I am writing to express my support for appropriations to the State Library and especially for the Ready to Read grants. As a rural library system, Tillamook County Library is greatly supported by the State Library. The Ready to Read program in particular helps to connect children to one of the most vital indicators for future academic and professional success -reading proficiency. Your support for the programs has a multiplier effect in creating opportunities for children, support the work already happening in our schools, and developing the opportunities that shape future citizens and members of the workforce. Thank you for your time and consideration, so that we can build up our communities and stay competitive in the global marketplace.

Sincerely,
Don Allgeier
Tillamook County Library Director