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As a long time Oregon librarian, I urge you to please continue strong funding for our State Library. The State Library is a treasure, pushing all levels of Oregon libraries to be their very best. The team does an exceptional job of managing statewide initiatives to benefit all Oregonians, and manage grant funding from the Federal level. I have had the pleasure of serving on the LSTA Advisory Council (2020 Chair), and I've seen firsthand the work that this group does to move our libraries and by extension our communities forward. Please continue this tradition of supporting our State Library so that they may support those of us on the frontlines of library service. This testimony is in full support of SB 5518.

Thank you. Ashley Folgate, District Media Specialist & Librarian, Philomath School District, Philomath, Oregon

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