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On Behalf Of:

Committee: House Committee On Education

Measure: HB3014

Dear Chair Neron and members of the committee,

I'm writing in support of HB 3014. 40% of Oregon's emissions come from transportation and as a young person I am terrified of what our future will look like if we don't rapidly decarbonize our transportation system along with all other sectors. Supporting schools and students in using transportation options like public transit, walking, rolling, and biking is necessary for our climate future. Additionally, this will support students in learning to use these modes of transportation allowing for independence and freedom without the costly and dangerous need to drive a car when they're old enough. Biking and walking buses bring communities together and allow students to connect with their peers, get outside, and get their brains and bodies moving before school starts. Getting around outside of a car provides a different lens through which to see one's own neighborhood and town. These community-led initiatives for getting students to school deserve the financial support to keep them going. Please support HB 3014.

Thank you.