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I strongly support this bill as I myself am a recipient of a GED when I was a student in Washington State. By allowing me to take the GED it opened up more opportunities for me while I was still completing my HSD (I was home schooled). I opted to complete my GED so I could begin working as a Security Guard for the remainder of my Senior year (and for much of my early career). This worked out well for me, as I continued on in my education to eventually obtain my Masters Degree in Social Work and now work as an LCSW for Oregon State.

I also firmly support the GED route for students as not all students do well in the traditional school setting, and not allowing them to seek out other options such as a GED is doing our students more harm than good. They should have choices in their education that would allow them to graduate early (should they choose) and for some, (such as myself) allowing them to enter the workforce sooner. Some may continue on to College seeking out trade degrees or even more advanced degrees.

Please support this bill.