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Regarding: SB 292- SEI Filing

Good afternoon-

My name is Annette Carson and for the past 26 years I have served as the clerk for the Diamond School. I am writing this letter supporting the implementation of SB 292 -1.

Diamond School District has a five member school board that serves one school, in the small rural community of Diamond Oregon. There are currently 10 students that attend Diamond, we are very small and remote. The school board members volunteer their time and at times it is very challenging. All five members have other full time jobs and they all take time out of their busy schedule to volunteer and support the Diamond School. Not only are they board members they do most of the maintenance and repairs at the school - free of charge.

Unfortunately by enforcing these school board members to file the Statement of Economic Interest, we will lose valuable members of our school board. Many have said they will resign if they are forced to file a SEI. We have a great group of board members and it is difficult to find anyone that wants to take on these responsibilities. We are not like the large metropolitan areas where there are numerous individuals to serve on the school boards. Please consider a different plan for small rural school districts.

Sincerely,

Annette Carson