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I STRONGLY OPPOSE SB 767!

As a former educator, I can attest to the fact that I have seen, first hand, the failure of the public school system in Oregon. Families are doing their best to educate their children by alternative means such as charter schools, private schools, home schooling, online-based instruction - anything and everything to avoid the disaster that lurks in our public schools. When a state's own governor declares that students don't have to be able to read, write, or do math to obtain a diploma, that should be an indicator that there is a problem! So, why, instead of addressing the problems with the current public schools system, are you trying to hamper this viable alternative to a failing system? This ridiculous piece of legislation should go down in flames.

Instead of attacking charter schools, why not support them and defund what is NOT working - the traditional public schools.