Submitter: Alec Ballweg

On Behalf Of:

Committee: House Committee On Revenue

Measure: HB3014

To the Chair and member of the committee,

My name is Alec Ballweg and I am a Programs Specialist at the Community Cycling Center (CCC), a non-profit in Portland, OR with a mission to increase access to bicycling and its benefits. In my work at CCC, I engage daily with students at Title 1A schools through our after-school programming as well as working in partnership with Safe Routes to Schools to lead walking school busses on monthly National Walk and Roll to School Days. In both these capacities, I have seen first hand the barriers these students face in simply getting to and from school safely and consistently and the struggle schools are facing to reduce those barriers. HB 3014 will not solve many of the problems that make these challenges a reality, but it will give schools significantly better options to meet students and their families where they are at and to compensate community leaders for the work they are already doing to make safe routes to schools possible for all students. I wholeheartedly support the passing of HB 3014 and urge you to move it out of committee as soon as possible.

Thank you, Alec Ballweg