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On Behalf Of:

Committee: Joint Committee On Ways and Means

Measure: SB5506

I'm writing to support better funding for our public education system. Oregon state is chronically underfunding schools and failing our children. At Abernethy Elementary School, in Portland, OR, we are loosing 0.5 FTE music instructor and 3 FTE teachers. Our fourth grade class rooms are preparing to staff 1:32 teacher to student. These ratios are unimaginable. How can learning happen in this type of environment?

Please appropriately fund our schools! Arguably the most important responsibility we have is to be the best stewards to the future generation. We must do better. Sincerely,

Julie Humsi