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On Behalf Of:

Committee: Senate Committee On Education

Measure: SB1583

Greetings,

SB 1583 deserves your support to protect the freedom of Oregon students to read texts from perspectives that may be different from their own experiences. The texts that have been targeted for removal recently around our state and country are overwhelmingly about and by people of color and LGBTQI+ individuals. Students need to read books by and about people from a wide range of perspectives and backgrounds to more fully understand our communities as well as themselves. SB 1583 protects the freedom to read for these students around the state.

I urge you to support SB 1583.

Thank you, Mark Richardson