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Committee: House Committee On Education
Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB3444

To whom it may concern,

Smaller schools like charter schools offer a unique quality of academic learning and child development. It is my opinion that charter school students are academically advanced beyond normal public school learning even with reduced funding. Parents should be able to choose the best fit for THEIR students learning experience, and not be penalized by unfair distribution of funds.

As a parent of an Oregon public charter school student, I am writing today in support of House Bill 3444. HB 3444 will fix a deep disparity currently happening in Oregon schools. Over the last ten years, charter school enrollment has gone up, but funding relative to enrollment has decreased. Public charter school students are public school students, and it's past time to fund their education fairly.

Please vote yes on HB 3444.

Thank You,
Zach Mayfield