

Wednesday, March

12th 2025

House Committee On Education
Oregon State Senate
900 Court St. NE
Salem, Oregon 97301

Dear Chair Neron, Vice-Chairs Dobson
and McInnitire, and members of the
committee:

My name is Wiley Sturdivant and I am
a sixth grade student at Sawie Island School
and I am writing today in support of
House bill 3444. I am writing to ask
for your support of House bill 3444
because I love my school and I believe
all students should have the same
opportunities to learn and grow.

My school is the right place for me
because it is a small community and I
have the opportunity to get to know
my classmates and teachers. I love that
there is P.E. everyday.

Everyone in my school has their
own story for why a public charter
school was the best fit for them. I
hope you will take the time to read
some time to read some of the stories
that have been shared with you. When
my classmates and I heard that Oregon's
public charter school students like us
were being funded at not even half as

much as the kids in public schools,
we were devastated.

Passing HB 3444 is important to
me because I am worth more than 48
cents on the dollar. I hope you can
support this bill and make charter
school funding fair.

Please Vote yes on HB 3444.

Thank you,
Wiley Sturdivant
Sixth grade
Sanvie Island School