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On Behalf Of: Jason Lee elementary school students and community
Committee: Joint Committee On Ways and Means Subcommittee
On Education
Measure, Appointment or Topic: SB5516

Esteemed committee members and citizens, I'm writing to strongly advocate for a \$50 million budget increase for Portland Public schools, to avoid a catastrophic 220 staff member cut.

My fifth grade daughter's chronically underfunded school, Jason Lee elementary, is projected to lose several staff members, stretching a thin staff even further and making effective education extremely difficult.

Oregon must take a moral stance for the future of our children and our economy by investing in our children, effectively standing against the unconstitutional actions of our federal executive branch.

Thank you for reading this letter.

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