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Good morning Chair Hudson, Vice-Chairs Dobson & McIntire and Members of the House Education Committee,

My name is Elaine Harris and I live in Newberg Oregon. I retired from teaching in the Tigard-Tualatin School District several years ago. Thank you for bringing SB 1596 up for discussion today.

As a science teacher for 24 years, I taught students from grades 6 to10 using a variety of teaching strategies to engage all of the students all of the time. My most effective lessons started out with what questions they had about a unit topic and then we constructed the unit accordingly from the objectives to the activities to how to show we met the objectives. There was always an element of play in the activities we created. The lessons were enjoyable to teach and the students remained engaged. When I heard of SB 1596, I knew I had to write in support. Yes, to well-constructed teacher-led "Active Playful Learning".