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This bill prohibits discrimination in education related to immigration or citizenship status and requires districts to base these policies on models prepared by the Attorney General. I strongly supports this bill.

Based on the 14th Amendment of the U.S. Constitution, in 1982, the Supreme Court ruled in Plyler v. Doe that states cannot constitutionally deny students a free public education based on their immigration status.

In 2023, Oregon's immigrants paid \$2.1 billion in state and local taxes which helped fund this basic right. Immigrants – deserve an education in the United States which is equal to that of its citizens.

I urge your support for SB1538.