

Submitter: SB1538 Phillips

On Behalf Of:

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Measure, Appointment or Topic: SB1538

I support SB 1538 and urge you to vote for this bill.

There are zero situations where depriving a child of education is justified. Zero. To assert that a child's immigration status makes them somehow less deserving of education is offensive and an insult to Oregon values.

I was fortunate to attend K-12 schools with immigrant children or children whose parents were immigrants, mostly from Mexico and Japan. Learning about other languages, culture, and experiences is a gift. My education and social life were so much richer because of it. I cannot fathom why anyone would want to deprive any child of that experience.

It is unfortunate that this bill is necessary, but we can't deny that anti-immigrant bigotry has infected some Oregonians. Therefore, I ask you to vote for this bill, and to advocate to your colleagues to do the same.

Thank you  
-Carrie Phillips