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On Behalf Of:

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I am writing to express my support for Senate Bill 1538.

Staff and Educators at our schools have the responsibility to protect our children from harm while they are at school. It is only common sense that school employees are properly educated and trained on how to respond to any person or agent who comes to the school to interact with students. This legislation provides clear guidance to Oregon schools on how to protect children

and ensure all students have access to education regardless of immigration status.

SB 1538 does not require teachers or school staff to enforce immigration laws.

Rather, it directs school districts to adopt clear policies and provide training so staff understand how to respond appropriately if immigration-related situations arise.

Establishing consistent procedures helps protect students, reduces confusion for educators, and ensures schools remain focused on their primary mission—educating children.

Providing clarity and training strengthens schools, supports families, and helps staff act within the law while maintaining safe and inclusive learning environments. I

respectfully urge your support for SB 1538.