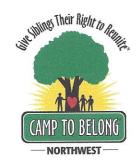


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Oregon House Committee on Human Services and Housing

RE: SB 2170

Dear Chair, Alissa Keny-Guyer and committee members,

This letter is being submitted to formally support SB 2170. Our association represents the needs of all DHS certified foster and relative care givers in the state along with the children they serve. It is our desire that SB 2170 be passed.

This bill will provide much needed support to the families who care for Oregon's most vulnerable children. As many surveys and town hall meetings have been conducted, the evidence is clear that the foster care community wants a neutral person they can talk with concerning their most urgent needs when their voice is going unheard in the field.

We urge you to pass this bill.

Respectfully submitted,

The Board of Directors

Sue Coleman Executive Secretary