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From: Sent: To: Subject: Kristen Thomas <gardenofgraceoils@yahoo.com> Tuesday, February 6, 2018 10:43 PM HED Exhibits House Bill 4013

## Dear Portland, Rep Doherty and State Ed Board:

How is it possible that a seemingly educated woman seeks to censor and bully those that do not agree with her? I am amazed, and disappointed in what seems to be an abuse of power. I believe that no matter what, when we silence the "opposition" voice, we ultimately hurt our own selves. We need each other, our children also need adults to set positive examples of working together. If this were to happen to you, if the shoe were on the other foot, you'd cry out loudly "oppression!" as well as "censorship!" Please let us all take a pause, and turn our attention to our own image that we have created. It is a very alarming image, it appears as intolerance and closed mindedness. It smacks of supreme ego, as well as unwillingness to play fair. In this day and age, we should know better. We must seek to build bridges of understanding, tolerance, manners, and empathy. Our children look to adults to be examples of fairness, wisdom, and reason. By changing rules that prevent Kim Sordyl from participating in Oregon's State Ed Board, you are setting us all up for failure, as we adults look

hypocritical and helplessly out of our minds. These kinds of flagrant abuses of power only results in detrimental affects of our children's future. Please reconsider your response to Kim Sordyl. We all have to play in the same sand box, together. The more willing a person is to reaching understanding, the brighter our future is.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely, Kristen Thomas Prineville, Oregon 7727661042

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