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Please include these comments in the official record for HB 3427

Dear Joint Committee on Student Success,

I have been an educator in Beaverton School District for the last 13 years. I have personally experienced the impact of budget shortfalls in the past. Many of my colleagues' jobs were cut. The climate if our schools plummeted. Class sizes were huge! I remember struggling to walk through a fifth grade classroom just because there were too many desks for my body to even fit through the pathway students had created in the classroom. At that time I took on two half-time positions in my elementary school, because funding did not allow for me to teach in just one area. We had to get really creative to save teaching positions. I kept my job, but it was not without many difficulties.

I beg you to find a way to more accurately and completely fund our schools. Our students are the ones who suffer the most when schools are not properly funded and staffed.

Our students deserve a quality education.

Many thanks,

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