

Hello members of the House Committee on Education -

My name is Sean Garland, and I am a City Councilor in Sherwood, OR. I am writing in support of Senate Bill 664 - Relating to instruction in public schools about genocide. As time passes from the atrocities of the Holocaust, it is critical that our youth do not lose sight of these events. Public Education is a primary source for social studies and history, and therefore it is important that education about genocide be mandated as part of every students curriculum.

Here in Sherwood, as in many places throughout the State, we were fortunate to have met and learned from Alter Weiner, a Holocaust survivor and public speaker. His work with school-age children was instrumental in ensuring that these horrors are not forgotten. It is important that his legacy, as well as other survivors and those who were taken from us, remains.

Please pass SB 664 so that our future generations learn about this critical time in our history, and learn to love, value, and cherish all people throughout the world.

Thanks in advance,

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