

For years I have been told that a catholic education was a privilege and for many reasons, I do believe that. But when an institution abuses their power by turning the other cheek at a moment's notice to any sign of abuse, all justification for me is lost.

By allowing mandatory reporters to ignore a child's cry for help, you are not only silencing them, but stripping away any sense of security they might have after it had already been compromised.

As a young woman, a former private school student, and a human being with some decency, I believe that all students should feel safe in their environment. The fact I even have argue that claim is ridiculous.

If a system is broke, it needs to be fixed. My words, and from what i'm assuming the words from many others, is proof that there is a major flaw in the laws currently enforced. Justice, safety, and respect needs to be given to the students of Oregon and that is why I support this bill. Hold school employees accountable to keep kids safe and to encourage a healthy environment for them to learn in.

What has silence ever done for a victim? Change needs to happen now.