I am opposed to SB223 because it has the potential for the State of Oregon to negatively influence private schools. Private schools students are there because their parents believe in the options to educate their children without the trappings of government mandates. Private schools need to remain autonomous in their selection of teachers with morals and beliefs that parents are comfortable with. Many private schools are religious and it would not be appropriate for the government to pressure schools in any way. Please oppose this bill.