



To: Senate Committee on Education
From: Richard Donovan, Legislative Services Specialist
Re: Senate Bill 242
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Chair Dembrow, Vice-Chairs Thomsen, and members of the committee:

On behalf of OSBA membership, including 197 school districts and 19 Education Service Districts throughout the state of Oregon, thank you for the opportunity to testify in support of SB 242, as amended by the -2 amendments.

In 2019, this committee drafted and the Legislature enacted SB 155, a bill aimed at giving school districts new tools to address the threat of sexual conduct by an adult towards a student. The bill was a hard-negotiated consensus bill that was the result of years of work by stakeholders, legislators, agency staff, and members of the public.

SB 242-2 would make specific, consensus changes to SB 155. The changes would enable increased agency records sharing, clarify employee rights, and otherwise enable school districts and agencies to best implement SB 155. Like SB 155, SB 242-2 is the product of a broad work group and there is no known opposition.

Please support SB 242, as amended by the -2 amendments.