

Making a senate bill that is “voluntary”, but then penalizing those private schools that do not comply by taking away interscholastic involvement is not a good thing, it is not right.

This is a way to try to pull private schools into the public curriculum and take away the rights of those choosing to place their children in private schools. Children in private schools are still students, with rights to interscholastic activities. It looks to me like senate bill 223 is trying to take away rights from private schools, and the history being that private schools are religiously affiliated.

“Private schools that choose to register must meet and maintain certain standards in areas regarding teacher qualifications, school facilities, curricula, and instruction time. These requirements could change over time and result in little distinction between public and private schools.” (Oregon Family Council)

I do not agree with the state controlling and implementing its agenda through registration of private schools.

At a time where the nation is standing for so many rights, let’s not deny the rights here either. It is clear that some are being prioritized and cutting off the independence of choice for private education.

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