

To whom it may concern,

I am writing today to advocate for SB 240 as I believe that it would be a benefit to Oregon families. My children have been part of the Paisley Distance Learning Program for over a decade and I have been thrilled with the results. I began with two of my children in the program and then my younger two children aged into the program. Paisley DLP has been a lifesaver... literally, because with the instructional funds I was able to send my kids to swim lessons. Also, all four of my children are pianists because we were able to afford piano lessons. We've been able to participate in numerous outdoor schools and other field trips that we otherwise would not have been able to afford or perhaps would never have known about. In addition, the teachers have been outstanding at rendering all kinds of assistance as well as giving help for my children who had learning struggles. We have had a number of testing sessions, years of tutoring that is ongoing, and IEP documentation that will be useful in the future. Finally, an added benefit that I would not have identified before was that Covid was a minimal "bump in the road" for our schooling because we were already doing 90% of our schooling at home with Paisley DLP's help. Thank you for your time.