

February 24, 2021

Senator Sara Gelser
Representation Susan McLain
900 Ct. St. NE
State Capitol, H-477
Salem, Oregon 97301

Dear Senator Gelser and Representative McLain,

The Forest Grove School District is writing in support of House Bill 2985, which directs the Oregon Department of Transportation to ensure that membership of advisory committees reflect racial and ethnic and ability composition in Oregon.

Navigating around your community when you have mobility issues can be a challenge. Providing an opportunity for everyone to have access to mobility opportunities requires representation from those with which have mobility issues that affect their daily lives.

Increasing representation on advisory groups will help the Oregon Department of Transportation and other agencies identify needs and concerns based on real life experiences.

This bill aligns with the Forest Grove School District's commitment to our students and community of encouraging and supporting each other, exploring solutions and overcoming obstacles and learning and working hard for the future.

Thank you for your ongoing work to better the communities that we live in.

Sincerely,



David Parker
Superintendent

