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Chair Sen. Dembrow and member of Senate Committee on Education

Hi! I want for ODE to consider multiple cultural groups that includes individuals who identifies themselves as Deaf, DeafBlind, or Hard of Hearing. There are numerous research support the Deaf community is a culture and linguistic group thus I want ODE to employ more members from the Deaf and American Sign Language (ASL) to build representation within the State for the low incidence students who are Deaf, DeafBlind, and Hard of Hearing.

Source re: Deaf Culture can be found at <https://clerccenter.gallaudet.edu/national-resources/info/info-to-go/deaf-culture/american-deaf-culture.html>.

Thanks!

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