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Good morning, Chair Wagner and members of the Committee. I am Aaron Woods, and a constituent Rep. Courtney Neron. I have had the pleasure of hearing Rep. Neron explain the importance of HB 4114, and commend her for serving as chief sponsor of the bill requiring members of district school boards verified statement of economic interest with Oregon Government Ethics Commission.

As a member of the Clackamas Community College Board and the Wilsonville Planning Commission, I take my responsibility for transparency and accountability very seriously. I'm familiar with the content of statements of economic interest and know that the Oregon Government Ethics Commission is conscientious about providing training on the requirements, as well as proactive in making the forms available.

In my opinion the filing requirements are not onerous. More importantly, they provide notice to the public of the economic interests of public officials, with the added benefit of reminder to public officials about potential conflicts of interest.

I encourage you to approve HB 4114. Thank you for your consideration.