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On Behalf of:

Committee: Senate Committee On Education

Measure: SB 767

I oppose SB 767. We need MORE choices in education, not less. Parents should have a choice in selecting schools that provide alternatives to public schools. For a family of modest means, the financial burden to attend a private school is often unattainable. Charter schools offer parents an alternative without the financial burden of leaving the public education system.

Further, this bill would restrict charter schools in Oregon from being innovative, flexible, and creative. Technological advancements in every part of our society are embraced. This bill would kneecap charter schools, particularly those serving students in remote areas of our state.