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Sure, some people won't mind turning on captions as a small gesture, but not everyone will feel the same way and it just just becomes ridiculous. It's naive to expect everyone will be courteous. This is coming from someone who is thoroughly well versed and completely exhausted with what it means to be disabled in this society. Until you have walked a mile in our shoes, please take our word that this bill would have a positive impact in Oregon. It has nothing to do with infringing on anyone's freedom and everything to do with righting a wrong in regards to accessibility. At worst, it just inconveniences folks that are used to the status quo of ignoring and underestimating disabled folks' accessibility in public spaces.

Passing the bill will help bring more awareness and accessibility to places that need it. And there's also the benefits for everyone, abled or not, to gain literacy through incidental learning from reading text in a world that is so overwhelmingly oversaturated with screen time and Snapchat/Tiktok lingo. No cap.

Thank you sincerely for reading my testimony.