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On Behalf Of:  
Committee: Senate Committee On Education  
Measure: SB426

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Dear Chair Dembrow, Vice Chair Weber and Members of the Senate Education Committee,

My name is Carrie Ann Naumoff. I am an Oregon resident, and I writing to you in support of SB 426. I am a parent, a grandparent, and a retired elementary school teacher of 31 years in the Eugene 4j School District.

Pesticides and herbicides are detrimental to everyone's health. Children are the most vulnerable as their immune, digestive, and other systems are still developing. In addition, they are less able to detoxify and excrete these pollutants compared to adults. According to the EPA, long term exposure to pesticides may cause serious health effects such as: learning disabilities, behavioral changes, organ damage, forms of cancer, including leukemia, breast cancer and brain tumors, and asthma symptoms. Even short term exposure can cause headaches, dizziness, nausea, and weakness.

Pesticide use needs to be reported in the same manner as the Healthy and Safe Schools Act passed in 2017. School must report and address, lead, asbestos and radon testing results. This has been a great accomplishment that benefits our students.. Including pesticides in the testing and reporting makes sense and would help ensure a safe environment for all of our children to learn, play, and become the future citizens of our state.

I urge you to please support Toxic Free Schools – Senate Bill 426.

Thank you very much for you time and consideration.  
Carrie Ann Naumoff