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Senator Michael Dembrow, Chair
Senator Suzanne Weber, Vice Chair
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re: SB 270

I strongly support SB 270 allowing additional learning opportunities for the adults in custody in Oregon State Prisons. Having worked in public school special education classrooms for 15 years, I witnessed the power and the value of giving a little "extra" to anyone needing a special "jump start". Education broadens the mind as well as supplying skills. Our returning citizens will be more successful re-entering society with a jump start of education opportunities beyond the high school level bar that they can acquire in prison today. Everywhere I go, I see "help wanted" signs. By allowing access to programs from our wonderful community colleges, SB 270 not only helps our returning citizens personally, it will also help provide badly-needed educated, competent workers to Oregon's work force.

Please support SB 270.

Thank you.

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