

Submitter: Nicole De Graff
On Behalf Of:
Committee: Senate Committee On Education
Measure: SB421

Dear Members of the committee,

Legislators can hear from youth without this terrible bill. We don't need SB421.

Is there a white straight youth advisory council? Two spirit is allowed, what about Christian or Jewish? Are there no bias crimes against members of those groups?

I shiver at the last line where ODE can make rule as to who they deem as worthy of being labeled as oppressed and underserved.

"(a) Are from racial or ethnic communities that historically have been, or currently are, underrepresented or underserved, including communities for which a plan has been developed

and implemented under ORS 329.841, 329.843 or 329.845;

(b) Identify as lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer, two-spirit, intersex, asexual, nonbinary or another minority gender identity or sexual orientation;

(c) Are English language learners;

(d) Are identifiable as being a child with a disability, as defined in ORS 343.035;

(e) Are navigating poverty; or

(f) Have experienced disproportionate results in education due to historical practices, as

identified by the State Board of Education by rule."

I urge you to VOTE NO.