



March 6, 2023

Senate Human Services Committee
900 Court St. NE
Salem Oregon 97301

Dear Committee Members:

RE: Support of SB 1024

I'm writing on behalf of our members in support of SB1024 section 1 and 2. Your support is critical to ensure this important legislation is passed.

The Oregon Alliance is a dedicated champion and established voice in advocating for the safety, health, and well-being of children, youth, families, and communities across Oregon. We are an association of a diverse group of community-based organizations serving Oregon's kids and their families at home, in school, in residential settings, and within the community. We work to help all youth live better lives and for families and communities to thrive in every corner of Oregon.

While some of the mechanics need more consideration, overall, we support the intent of SB 1024 and believe sections 1 and 2 will improve the safety of both the child/youth and staff working in these settings.

As the rules are developed, the cost of implementation must be considered, including the ongoing expenses to maintain.

The Oregon Alliance appreciates your consideration of SB1024. Please don't hesitate to contact if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Royce Bowlin, CEO