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On Behalf Of:
Committee: Senate Committee On Education
Measure: SB551

Dear Chair Dembrow, Vice Chair Weber, and the Education Committee:
Please accept this testimony in favor of passage of SB 551, a bill to require the dissemination of information regarding Oregon's safe storage requirement. In 2021 the legislature passed SB 554, which required that all weapons be safely stored. This requirement is not widely known. The people that we most want to know about this requirement are those who have children in their home, as guns that are not safely stored are a hazard to any child in the home, whether they live there or are visiting. Having school district share this information, as well as information about safely storing medications, is a simple solution to getting this much-needed information into the hands of those who would most benefit from it. Thank you to Sen. Sollman for drafting this practical bill and to the committee for hearing it in a timely manner. Please pass it with a do-pass recommendation.

Best,
Amie Wexler