

March 20, 2023

Dear Representative Val Hoyle,

I am a public school educator who works as the Teacher On Special Assignment (TOSA) for Talented and Gifted Education in the Siuslaw School District 97J. In the last 23 years I've dedicated my career to teaching 2nd-6th graders, and now it's my pleasure to coordinate our Talented and Gifted program.

I strongly support **SB596** that requires our district to be more transparent when reporting our TAG data to the Oregon Department of Education. Oregon needs to improve its identification practices and services to TAG students. These demands for greater accountability are an excellent first step in that direction.

Please vote YES on SB596. We are counting on your support so we can better support the needs of this population of students.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Kelly Dotson".

Kelly Dotson
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