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On Behalf Of: Mr Oregon Supports HB 4079
Committee: House Committee On Revenue
Measure: HB4079

I SUPPORT [HB 4079].

[HB 4079] serves to provide funding for "Special Education Programs" and to assist "Homeless Students" to receive equal access to an education.

[HB 4079] is a good start but the problem of providing stable and ongoing funding to address the needs of "Homeless students" is far from adequate.

The issue of compelling the GENERAL FUNDS of school Districts, to fill the gaps in revenues to address requisite needs to provide "Special Education Programs" and assistance to Homeless students is unacceptable.

It is indeed unfortunate LOTTERY dollars are shifted away from schools to fund almost every Department in the State of Oregon.

Lottery dollars were advertised and continue to be advertised as funding for schools and education programs. What a lie we have been told. Even the corporate income and excise taxes kickers are also seized and redirected to meet Schools' needs.

[HB 4079] is a good start but, let us not be fooled into accepting Lottery dollars to fund other State services. Lottery dollars are for schools.

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Mr. Oregon Concurs, "Homeless students and students requiring special needs require improved funding considerations and our prayers."