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On Behalf Of: Individual
Committee: House Committee On Rules
Measure: SB1583

I am opposed to the passage of SB1583 A. I respectfully submit the following testimony.

Oregon is a diverse community of many cultures and subcultures. Each school district is unique and therefore locally elected school boards are uniquely suited to select curriculum tailored to the cultural and educational need of their districts. There is no need to change the existing laws already on the books. New legislation would place additional burdens on already strapped local school boards. National test results rankings have been published and the performance of Oregon's schoolchildren is poor. As you know, Oregon's school children are behind and struggle to catch up from the Covid-19 shutdown. I urge you to pause in moving this legislation to the floor in this legislative session and consider what local school boards can effectively implement for their respective communities. I stand solidly for local control of curriculum for our schools; leave the decisions in the hands of local school boards. Please.

Respectively submitted,
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