Submitter:	Peter Buckley
On Behalf Of:	
Committee:	House Committee On Education
Measure, Appointment or Topic:	HB2992

Dear Chair Nosse and Members of the Committee:

I hope all goes well.

My name is Peter Buckley and I am a former legislator from Jackson County, having served six terms for the district that the wonderful Rep. Pam Marsh now represents. I am writing in support of HB 2992, the "Students See Clearly Act."

The bill is based on the simple premise that if a child is struggling with their eyesight, their ability to read and write is significantly and negatively impacted. As a state, we are investing a good deal of money in Early Literacy, which is the right thing to so. But we need to remove barriers from our children's ability to learn, which is exactly what HB 2992 proposes to do.

HB 2992 offers a straightforward program to address a basic need. It will help our state reach our goal for improved reading skills for our students and will do so at a cost far lower than the costs of failure for our kids, families and communities.

I'm very glad to offer my support, and I appreciate your time and consideration.

Thanks & Onward, Peter Buckley 71 Dewey Street Ashland, OR 97520 541-621-7195