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Chair Frederick, Vice-Chair Weber, and Members of the Senate Committee on Education:

Portland Public Schools supports SB 905.

Senate Bill 905 allows Oregon school districts, ESDs, and charter schools to eliminate extraneous paper records at each entity's administrative headquarters when the records are also required to be maintained electronically. The results from testing drinking water for lead every six years, air for radon every ten years, and asbestos inventories and related three- and six-year tests are easily and freely accessible online as required by statute.

In the time since the passage of the Healthy and Safe Schools Plan in 2017, Portland Public Schools has not received any requests to view the paper copies of these results.

This bill will result in a lower usage of paper by districts and will reduce the time to print and catalogue paper records, which will save districts expenses on supplies and costs on a redundant activity.

PPS, and districts across the state, will still be bound by statute to maintain transparency by continuing to post records in an accessible format online.

We thank you for your service to Oregonians and Oregon students. Please support SB 905.

Sincerely,

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