

Dear Chair Neron, Vice Chairs Dobson and McIntire, and Members of the Committee,

My name is Lisa Tardie, and I am 5th grade teacher at Springfield School District 19. I am submitting this testimony in strong support of HB 3652, which would make class size and caseloads a mandatory subject of collective bargaining in all Oregon schools.

There are SpED teachers that have excessive caseloads that impact them. Two of our SpED teachers currently have no prep time during the day and an excessive case load with meetings nearly everyday. They are struggling and you can see the stress they experience on a daily basis.

When there is a large class size, the students that need the extra help often gets overlooked and their education is negatively impacted.

I urge those on the floor to vote for students and their opportunity to learn and grow in a class size that allows for them to get the extra support needed.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Lisa Tardie  
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