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My name is Jamie Hartmann, and I am a senior at Tualatin High School. I am writing to express my strong support for Oregon House Bill 3365, which mandates the integration of climate change education across all subjects in our public school curriculum. This bill directs the State Board of Education to adopt academic content standards that incorporate an interdisciplinary approach to sustainability and climate change, ensuring that students are equipped to understand and address these pressing global challenges.

As our state and nation confront the multifaceted impacts of climate change, it is imperative that we prepare our students with the knowledge and skills necessary to navigate and mitigate these effects. By embedding climate change education into diverse subjects such as mathematics, science, language arts, history, and economics, HB 3365 promotes a comprehensive understanding of the issue's complexity and urgency. This approach aligns with the bill's goal to educate students on confronting current and anticipated climate impacts from diverse decision-making perspectives.

Furthermore, integrating climate change education fosters critical thinking, problem-solving, and interdisciplinary learning, preparing students to be informed and engaged citizens. It also underscores Oregon's commitment to sustainability and positions our state as a leader in climate education.

I urge you to support HB 3365 and take decisive action to ensure that our educational system adequately prepares students to address the challenges and opportunities presented by climate change.

Thank you for your attention to this vital matter.

Sincerely,
Jamie Hartmann