Submitter:	Lowell Slama

On Behalf Of:

Committee: House Committee On Education

Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB3444

House Committee On Education Oregon State Senate 900 Court St. NE Salem, Oregon 97301

Dear Chair Neron, Vice-Chairs Dobson and McIntire, and members of the Committee:

My 6 year old grandson attends Gresham Arthur Academy, a public charter school within Gresham-Barlow School District, where he is a first grader. It is a wonderful academic environment with exceptional teachers and support staff.

I am writing in support of House Bill 3444. Public charter school students are public school students, and it's past time to fund their education fairly. In Oregon's current school funding model, public charter schools are significantly underfunded. By passing HB 3444, you can provide fair funding for public charter school students who need it. Please vote yes on HB 3444.

Sincerely, Lowell Slama