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Hello Senate Committee on Education,

Thank you for reading my testimony. I strongly believe that you should oppose this bill (SB749). The state of Oregon is near the bottom when it comes to reading, writing, and math scores across the nation. We can't possibly believe that students should be making decisions regarding budgets when they are not proficient in the core subjects. I work in education and see first hand the lack of understanding students have in so many areas. We need to spend money on the basics in education. There is an old saying, "Don't send an boy to do a man's job." I am sure in this current climate, it might better be said, "Don't send a child to do an adult's job." Students are not equipped nor qualified to do school district budgeting. If you want budgeting in the curriculum, bring back personal finance. Don't waste money or time on this please.

Thank you for your time.