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Although I agree with the policy of prohibiting school mobile phone use, and I grew up in a time before mobile phones, I oppose this bill.

The reason is education policy should be a matter of local control.

Oregon's State Government is far to centralized and controlling of public education. Every legislative session, bills on hot-button-social issues come up so that individual legislators such as the awful Lisa Reynolds can tout an "accomplishment" for their own petty constituency. The result is a cluttered inflexible curriculum and a bloated ODE that has to enforce this nonsense.

I say, get rid of state government involvement in education altogether.