Submitter:	Maria	Cress

On Behalf Of:

Committee: House Committee On Education

Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB2583

My husband and I have chosen Baker Web Academy- a virtual charter school for our children because it best fits their learning needs. My children have been exceeding with their education, are ahead with important subjects like math and reading. We have chosen to homeschool because the level of education exceeds what they would learn in a traditional classroom. We can incorporate additional learning tools and life skills they will need to have a successful future. Unfortunately Oregon has lacked providing these children with fair funding. Children who attend virtual school have been unfairly excluded from crucial Student Success Act funding. HB 2583 fixes this by providing equal access to resources while ensuring funds stay in Oregon's community-run schools. Oregonians deserve to chose where their children get an education, whether in a traditional classroom or at home. Many of us would like to continue using virtual learning as it fits our childrens educational needs. It's time to support all students!