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Virtual charter students deserve fair access to the same resources as every other public school student. The Student Success Act was designed to help students who need it most, yet virtual charter students are excluded. HB 2583 is about fairness— ensuring all students have access to SIA funds, no matter where they learn. As an educator at Baker Charter Schools I have witnessed firsthand the transformative power of giving students alternative, equitable options. Many of the students and families I serve have not had their unique needs met in a traditional public school setting, and express that at BCS they finally have access to a schooling model that best fits their learning needs. But these students are unfairly excluded from crucial Student Success Act funding. HB 2583 corrects this by ensuring equal access to resources while keeping funds within Oregon's community-run schools.