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On Behalf Of:

Committee: Joint Committee On Transportation

Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB2945

Dear Co-Chairs Gorsek and McLain, Members of the Committee,

My name is Cheryl Morgen and I live in Bend. I urge you to support HB 2945 and the -1 Amendment, which will accelerate Oregon's transition to zero-emission school buses. This bill is a common-sense and urgently needed investment in the health of our children, the air we breathe, and the future we are building for Oregon.

As an adult who suffers from particle-induced asthma I feel strongly that we should prevent any children from developing this by unnecessary exposure to particulates. Electrifying our school buses will also reduce our reliance on fossil fuels leading to hopefully fewer wildfires in Oregon, which is another source of particulates for vulnerable people.

I believe that we have one electric school bus in Bend and the kids are excited to ride it when it shows up at their normal bus stop. Please support HB 2945 and, thus, the transition to electric school buses so all children can experience a cleaner, healthier ride to school.

Thank you for your leadership and for your commitment to a healthier, more sustainable Oregon.

Sincerely,
Cheryl Morgen