

Please include these comments in the official record for HB 3427.

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Subject: Please Support House Bill 2019 (Support for HB 342)

Hello! My name is Christina Filiere. I am a proud member of the Beaverton community and mother to the most amazing boys who attend schools in the Beaverton School District. I am reaching out on behalf of self, my children, my community... both in the present and the future. Please support the proposal from the Joint Committee for Student Success (HB 342) to create a \$2 billion investment in our children.

The success of our future as a family, community, state, require that our children are equipped with the best possible tools to create a strong foundation for academic learning, emotional stability, and giving hearts. Things have changed so much and there is a crisis at hand! Children must be prioritized, must be nurtured, must be supported, must be invested in! Teachers can have all the best intentions; however if they are trying to do their best with an unreasonable class size, then no one will thrive... thus the loss of potential begins. Children need a safe place to learn, not just academics but also coping skills in many cases. Please take the time to visit schools from different areas and in different economic areas and you will see that the investment is a necessity.

I have been happily volunteering at Nancy Ryles Elementary School for many years now and appreciate the perspective that I get seeing what teachers and staff do. I am truly speaking from my heart but also from a logical standpoint. Investing in our children yields untold riches because helping them to be strong, well-spoken, independent, compassionate souls now means creating even stronger, smarter, giving members of society. Support our schools. Support our community. Support our children. Please support the proposal from the Joint Committee for Student Success (HB 342)!

Please act with logic and love. The success of our futures require your action.

Thank you,

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