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Mrs. King,

*In response to your question concerning the meaning or definition of "affiliate" or "affiliated," below is what I found in Oregon Statute concerning this issue. Thank you for your question.*

*Mrs. King, I spent 31 years in public education as a teacher, principal, and superintendent of schools in Florence and Mapleton. I am presently the Oregon State Representative for House District 9 and serve on the Oregon House of Representative's Education and Higher Education Committees. I believe, and have always believed, we must always do what is in the best interests of our children. I support and commend the individuals who have given of their time, hard work, effort, and dedication to plan and support a Charter School in Florence.*

*Each of our children learn in unique ways, in their own time, and in an environment that best suits their learning style. We know from experience; one size does not fit all children. As in our everyday life, freedom of choice is innate in our society and individuals thrive with a variety of options. Whether that be at the grocery store, choosing a vehicle, at a restaurant, choosing a trade, a community college, or a university. Why should we limit a child's K-12 education and opportunity to one brick and mortar institution?*

*Presently, public schools are overburdened with rules, regulations, legislation, and ideology that limit their ability to offer some children the variety of options that best meets their needs. I believe Charter Schools can be an asset and complimentary to a public school district offering curricula that give some students options that a public school may not have the ability to offer due to constraints. This should not adversarial but, a partnership. The gift to our children, and our future, in providing them with the opportunity to learn and grow in an environment where they learn best is, or should be, our priority. We must always do what is in the best interests of our children!*

*Sincerely,*

*Representative Boomer Wright*

**ORS 338.035 (8)**— An entity described in ORS 338.005 may not approve a proposal for a public charter school that is "affiliated" with a nonpublic sectarian school or religious institution.

**ORS 743B.005** — "Affiliate" of, or person "affiliated" with, a specified person means any carrier who, directly or indirectly through one or more intermediaries, controls or is controlled by or is under controls with specified person.

**ORS 743B.548 – 1.** "Affiliate" means a person that directly or indirectly, through one or more intermediaries, controls, is controlled, by, or is under common control with, another person.

2. "Control" means possessing the direct or indirect power to manage a person or set the person's policies, whether by owning voting securities, by contract other than a commercial contract for goods or nonmanagement services, or otherwise, unless the power is the result of an official position or corporate office the person holds.



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