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Attorney General Rosenblum and Counsel Kron -

I attended a task force meeting in Portland where intelligent, reasonable requests were made by OR journalists who testified about a long list of problems with Oregon public records access.

As a parent in Portland Public Schools, I can tell you that PPS is not transparent, and it is aided by public records exceptions and lack of enforcement in the law. We are seeing the damage it has done, not only with the lead issue, but a myriad of education issues.

The AG recommendations do nothing to address the problems. They are a huge disappointment. There is nothing in the recommendations that requires public agencies to do anything different than they've done in the past. We need laws with accountability measures. No teeth = no access to public records.

Please listen to the public, protect the public, and take action rather than talk about the importance of democracy.

- Kim Sordyl