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REP. SPRENGER SEEKS INNOVATIVE SOLUTIONS FOR SCHOOL CHOICE

Scio Legislator Attends School Choice Conference in Utah

SALEM— Rep. Sherrie Sprenger (R-Scio) attended the American Legislative Exchange Council's 2008 School Choice Academy in Salt Lake City this past weekend. The national conference gave legislators the latest research on current school choice programs and legislation from other states.

“While I served on the school board, I really worked to provide positive options for parents for educating their kids,” Rep. Sprenger said. “Now that I am a legislator, I have the opportunity to continue this work at the state level. I learned about innovative solutions that can increase educational opportunities for students in Oregon.”

The conference brought together state legislators and school choice experts to discuss education reform issues. It included sessions on drafting effective school choice legislation and tackling obstacles to reform.

“Not every child is the same, and parents need to choose the educational avenues that are right for their child,” Rep. Sprenger said. “This conference gave me additional tools for building more effective partnerships throughout education and with parents to develop successful kids.”

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