

Oregon Community College Association 260 13<sup>th</sup> Street N Phone: (503) 399-9912 Fax: (503) 399 9286 <u>http://www.occa17.com</u>

Date:	Feb. 14, 2013
То:	The Committee on Education and Workforce Development
From:	John Wykoff, Oregon Community College Association
Subject:	SB 104

Community colleges support the intent of SB 104, which requires community college faculty who are interacting with young children in early childhood education program centers to be fingerprinted in the same manner that is required now when they work with under-age students in K-12 settings.

While we have some concerns with the current bill language, OCCA is working in collaboration with the Oregon Department of Education to ensure that the bill language reflects that intent and has no unintended consequences.

It is also worth noting that currently community college early childhood education program students who interact with young children in early childhood education centers are required to register with the Child Care Division's Central Background Registry.