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To: Chair Roblan and Members of the Senate Education Committee

Re: Support for SB 932

As an organization that represents over 65,000 people in industries from health care to property services to the public sector, SEIU's members come from all backgrounds, and immigrants have been a rich part of SEIU since its inception to today. However, despite their contributions to Oregon many immigrants and their kids continue to face roadblocks to fulfilling their dreams.

In 2013, the Oregon legislature took action and passed HB 2787, allowing the opportunity for all deserving students to continue their education.

While HB 2787 was a big step in the right direction, access to higher education continues to be out of reach for many talented students. SB 932 would ensure that those students whom the legislature already supported in 2013, would have access to the support they need make furthering their education a reality.

SEIU urges you to support SB 932, Tuition Equity 2.0.

Sincerely,

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