

Dear Committee Members:

The Oregon Interinstitutional Faculty Senate (IFS) is composed of elected faculty representatives from the seven universities, and OHSU.

As IFS President and Vice President of the Oregon Interinstitutional Faculty Senate (IFS), we write to oppose HB 4128, and to support the amendment offered by Representative Felt to HB 4128 if the legislation does move forward.

Overall, we feel that the proposed legislation unnecessarily restricts the ability of our faculty to make informed decisions about determining proper enrollment for students into remedial or regular classes, and to flexibly respond to individual student circumstances with the assignment of supplemental aid such as tutoring and ALEKS, which our various institutions have developed to meet their students' needs.

If the legislature does feel the need to pass this sort of detailed legislation on this subject, we think it should only be done after appropriate study and consideration of the factors that influence student success, that it should be flexible enough to incorporate the different circumstances of the different universities and individual students, and that it should ensure faculty input into the development and implementation of those procedures.

We note that the Felt Amendment moves the legislation in that direction, and for this reason we support the amendment.

Signed,

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