

TO: Chair Denbrow
Vice-Chair Thomsen
Members of the Senate Education Committee

RE: SB 1572 Amendment and Public Student Loan Forgiveness

February 8, 2022

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony in support of amendments to SB 1572.

I have worked for Portland State University and Portland Community College for 12 years. Given the lower pay for adjunct faculty and needing to use income-based repayment plans, my loans have increased rather than decreased.

Amendments to SB 1572 will make PSLF possible for me so I can begin to see the future with no student loans.

I look forward to your support of SB 1572 as amended.

Sincerely,

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