



Chair Dembrow, Vice Chair Weber and members of the Senate Education Committee,

For the record, my name is Anna Teske, and I am the Associate Vice Provost for Academic Affairs at OHSU. I am here today to testify in support of Senate Bill 272, and share OHSU's current tuition residency policy, which already complies with the changes set forth in SB 272.

OHSU policy sets one residency standard for both undergraduate and graduate students, therefore resident tuition is available for all refugees, non-resident visa holders, and COFA islanders who are residents of Oregon. OHSU adopted these standards in December 2021.

You can find OHSU's full tuition residency policy [here](#), including section 3.F. related to refugees, special immigrant visa holders, and COFA islanders.

Diversity is a key component in advancing the health and well-being of people here in Oregon and beyond, and core to OHSU's values. In fact, the first goal of the [OHSU 2025 Strategic Plan](#) is: "Building a diverse, equitable environment where all can thrive and excel." We know that diversity, equity and inclusion is central to everything we do as an institution.

We appreciate that legislation will statutorily guarantee in-state tuition for COFA islanders, refugees, and SIV holders, providing additional certainty to the practice and policy already implemented at OHSU.

Thank you for the opportunity to share OHSU's support for SB 272.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Anna R. Teske".

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