

## HOUSE COMMITTEE ON HIGHER EDUCATION

February 8, 2024  
03:00 PM

Hearing Room C

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Rep. John Lively, Chair  
Rep. Emily McIntire, Vice-Chair  
Rep. Ricki Ruiz, Vice-Chair  
Rep. Ben Bowman  
Rep. Lucetta Elmer  
Rep. Zach Hudson  
Rep. Kevin Mannix  
Rep. Nathan Sosa  
Rep. Boomer Wright

**STAFF PRESENT:** Ellen O'Brien, LPRO Analyst  
Nakai Colmenares-Hawe, Committee Assistant

**EXHIBITS:** Exhibits from this meeting are available [here](#)

**MEASURES/ISSUES:** HB 4125 – Public Hearing  
HB 4163 – Public Hearing  
HB 4164 – Public Hearing  
HB 4162 – Public Hearing

00:00:31 Meeting Called to Order

00:00:32 Chair Lively

00:00:57 [HB 4125 - Public Hearing](#)

00:00:58 Chair Lively

00:01:08 Ellen O'Brien, LPRO Analyst

00:02:08 Trent Lutz, Associate Vice President of State Affairs, University of Oregon

00:05:00 Vice-Chair McIntire

00:06:08 Rep. Mannix

00:08:00 Rep. Bowman

00:11:33 Bill Thorndike, President, Medford Fabrication; chair, Board of Trustees, Southern Oregon University; board member, State Accident Insurance Fund (SAIF) Corporation; board member, Oregon Health Fund Board; board member, Quality Education Commission; board member, Court of Portland; board member, Connect Oregon; board member, State Board of Higher Education

00:14:11 Inara Scott, faculty, College of Business, Oregon State University

00:18:46 [HB 4163 - Public Hearing](#)

00:18:47 Chair Lively  
00:18:53 Ellen O'Brien, LPRO Analyst  
00:19:57 John Chang, Executive Director, College Possible Oregon  
00:24:06 Yulissa Flores-Lopez, Program Coordinator, graduate, College Possible Oregon  
00:28:56 Jasmine Winslow, area Director, Pacific Northwest, Advancement Via Individual Determination (AVID); teacher; school principal; parent  
00:31:30 Matt Bisek, Executive Director, Oregon TRIO Association

00:34:03 **HB 4164 - Public Hearing**  
00:34:04 Chair Lively  
00:34:11 Ellen O'Brien, LPRO Analyst  
00:34:46 Rep. Annessa Hartman, House District 40  
00:37:02 Jennifer Wilson, Dr., Executive Director, Diversity, Inclusion, and Cultural Engagement (DICE), Title IX Coordinator, Oregon Institute of Technology

00:41:05 **HB 4162 - Public Hearing**  
00:41:06 Chair Lively  
00:41:18 Ellen O'Brien, LPRO Analyst  
00:42:03 Nick Keough, Legislative Director, Oregon Student Association (OSA)  
00:44:45 Chloe Webster, student body President, Associated Students of the University of Oregon (ASUO)  
00:45:09 Carissa O'Donnell, student body President, the Associated Students of Oregon State University  
00:49:04 Teresa Alonso Leon, former state representative; former chair, House Education Committee; former chair, Joint Task Force for Underrepresented Students in Higher Education; Capaces Leadership Institute  
00:53:58 Susan Watson, statewide Director, SNAP Training and Employment Program (STEP), Pathways to Opportunity, Statewide Community College Consortium  
00:56:40 Zoe Cooper-Caroselli, Program Coordinator, Basic Needs Oregon, Portland Community College (PCC)  
00:59:00 Amy Hofer, Director, statewide Open Education Program, Open Oregon Educational Resources (OER)  
01:00:35 Allia Service, Open Educational Resource Specialist, University of Oregon  
01:02:38 Ethan Downs, student, Chemeketa Community College; OSA  
01:04:10 Rook Smith, student, Southern Oregon University; OSA  
01:05:45 Hunter Alan Hall, student body President, graduate student, Western Oregon University  
01:10:06 Felicity Ratway, health policy PhD student, graduate research assistant, Oregon State University; healthcare interpreter; Vice-President at Large, American Federation of Teachers (AFT) Oregon  
01:12:58 Kevin Moore, OER Reference Specialist, Mt Hood Community College  
01:16:27 Kerry Leek, faculty librarian and co-chair, OER Steering Committee, PCC

- 01:19:13** Javier Estrada, student body President, Associated Students at Mt Hood Community College
- 01:22:52** Josselyn Studer, Executive Secretary of Government Relations, ASUO; OSA; intern, Oregon Hunger Relief Task Force
- 01:26:15** Meeting Adjourned