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I am writing in support of SB 5525. Providing sufficient budget for Oregon's seven public universities ensures opportunities for students to receive robust higher education that will strengthen our communities, our economy, and our democracy. Colleges are critical spaces for learning and personal development, building connections to communities, and incubating ideas and research that will make a difference for all Oregonians. Access to public universities offers a variety of educational opportunities and choice for students to receive the best education in their field of study; and for their personal needs, such as proximity to jobs, family, and resources for learning -- including unique geographical considerations such as access to the ocean, mountains, or agricultural lands for site-specific study. Please support funding for Oregon's public universities so that every student has the chance to make a difference!