

**HOUSE COMMITTEE ON HIGHER EDUCATION AND WORKFORCE  
DEVELOPMENT**

February 18, 2025  
08:00 AM

Hearing Room C

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Rep. Zach Hudson, Chair  
Rep. Lisa Fragala, Vice-Chair  
Rep. Darin Harbick, Vice-Chair  
Rep. Sarah Finger McDonald  
Rep. Lesly Muñoz  
Rep. Boomer Wright  
Rep. Dwayne Yunker

**STAFF PRESENT:** Ellen O'Brien, LPRO Analyst  
William Best, Committee Assistant

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

**MEASURES/ISSUES:** Introduction of Committee Measures - Work Session  
HB 2441 - Public Hearing  
HB 2747 - Public Hearing  
HB 3446 - Public Hearing  
HB 3552 - Public Hearing

00:00:14 Meeting Called to Order  
00:00:15 Chair Hudson

00:01:11 **Introduction of Committee Measures - Work Session**

00:01:12 Chair Hudson

00:01:19 MOTION: VICE-CHAIR FRAGALA MOVES LC 3946 BE INTRODUCED  
AS COMMITTEE MEASURE

00:02:26 VOTE: 7-0-0

AYE: FINGER MCDONALD, MUÑOZ, WRIGHT, YUNKER, FRAGALA,  
HARBICK, HUDSON

00:03:00 **HB 2441 - Public Hearing**

00:03:01 Chair Hudson

00:03:42 Rep. Dwayne Yunker, House District 3

00:07:47 Rep. Bobby Levy, House District 58

00:10:05 Don Stockton, Director, Veteran Student Services, Oregon Institute of  
Technology

00:15:19 Rep. Finger McDonald

**00:16:27**      **HB 2747 - Public Hearing**

**00:16:28**      Chair Hudson  
**00:16:50**      Michael Dembrow, former state senator  
**00:27:37**      Kyle Hedquist, Policy and Legislative Outreach Associate, Oregon Justice Resource Center  
  
**00:34:43**      Rep. Finger McDonald  
**00:35:45**      Rep. Wright  
**00:39:04**      Emma Chaput, Professor of Biology, Central Oregon Community College  
**00:44:52**      Nahlee Suvanvej, Director, Higher Education in Prison, Portland State University

**00:51:09**      **HB 3446 - Public Hearing**

**00:51:10**      Chair Hudson  
**00:52:20**      Ellen O'Brien, LPRO Analyst  
**00:52:50**      Brian Robin, Career Technical Education (CTE) Regional Coordinator, Southern Oregon Education Service District (ESD)  
  
**00:56:14**      Brook Rich, CTE and STEM Regional Director, High Desert ESD  
**00:59:10**      Caitlin Russell, CTE Regional Coordinator, InterMountain ESD  
**01:00:57**      Vice-Chair Fragala  
**01:04:09**      Chris Brida, CTE Director, Portland Public Schools  
**01:06:52**      Nat Ellis, Project Manager, Southern Oregon Educational Service District  
**01:09:39**      Shareen Vogel, CTE Regional Coordinator, Lane ESD

**01:12:38**      **HB 3552 - Public Hearing**

**01:12:39**      Chair Hudson  
**01:13:19**      Joe Morelock, Superintendent, Willamette Education Service District (ESD)  
  
**01:17:19**      Vice-Chair Fragala  
**01:18:08**      Timothy Murphy, SVP Corporate Affairs, DCI International LLC  
**01:23:09**      Salam Noor, President, Mountain West Center for Community Excellence/Mountain West Foundation  
  
**01:27:16**      Audrey Ritchie, student, Willamette Career Academy  
**01:29:05**      Leilani Slama, Chief Communications and Community Relations Officer, Salem Health  
  
**01:34:49**      Meeting Adjourned