

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON HIGHER EDUCATION AND WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT

**March 11, 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: HB 2421 – Public Hearing
HB 2458 – Public Hearing
HB 3635 – Public Hearing

00:00:05 Meeting Called to Order
00:00:06 Chair Hudson

00:00:51 [**HB 2421 - Public Hearing**](#)
00:00:52 Chair Hudson
00:01:03 Ellen O'Brien, LPRO Analyst
00:01:55 Morgan Shaw, Intern, Oregon Alliance of Independent Colleges and
Universities
00:05:42 Rep. Muñoz
00:05:53 Vice-Chair Fragala
00:06:31 Mai Nhia Xiong-Chan, Enrollment Management Vice President, University
of Portland
00:10:44 William Mullen, Enrollment Management Vice President, Willamette
University

00:13:49 [**HB 2458 - Public Hearing**](#)
00:13:50 Chair Hudson
00:13:56 Ellen O'Brien, LPRO Analyst
00:14:37 Kathy Martin-Willis, Chief of Staff, Office of Rep. Paul Evans, House
District 20

00:16:30 Marc Overbeck, Government Relations Director, Southern Oregon University
00:22:28 Vice-Chair Fragala
00:23:30 Rep. Finger McDonald
00:24:48 Rep. Yunker
00:26:26 Kyle Thomas, Director, Legislative and Policy Affairs, Higher Education Coordinating Commission

00:30:36 **HB 3635 - Public Hearing**
00:30:37 Chair Hudson
00:30:40 Ellen O'Brien, LPRO Analyst
00:31:18 John Wykoff, Deputy Director, Oregon Community College Association
00:34:53 Rep. Wright
00:36:54 Rebecca Ocken, Director, Planning and Capital Construction, Portland Community College
00:40:51 Jeff Shaffer, Vice President, Finance and Operations, Chief Financial Officer, Clackamas Community College
00:44:16 Austin Felnagy, Board President, Oregon Community College Association
00:47:07 Mark Browning, President, Blue Mountain Community College
00:49:47 Vice-Chair Fragala
00:51:17 Meeting Adjourned