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Honorable Oregon State Senators and Representatives:

These are the final results of the StatesmanJournal.com online poll that appeared in the hardcopy Statesman Journal newspaper on January 28, 2013 concerning whether or not **undocumented international students illegal present in the country** should receive in-state tuition to Oregon's public universities and colleges (See below).

Respectfully,

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POLL RESULTS

YESTERDAY'S QUESTION

Should immigrants in Oregon be allowed to pay in-state college tuition if they met these conditions?

- 3 years in Oregon high school
- Graduation from Oregon High school
- Admission to a state university
- Actively working toward U.S. citizenship

Yes 31.5%

No 66.6%

Don't Know 1.4%

Don't Care 0.5%

(Yesterdays online poll results appeared in the January 28, 2013 hardcopy Statesman Journal newspaper.)

Letter: Colleges would lose funds as a result of bill

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Oregonians looking at the future cost of attending — furthermore, the funding of — Oregon's public four-year colleges and universities should be concerned about state Sen. Peter Courtney's legislation (Senate Bill 10) that would grant instate tuition for **international students illegally in the country**.

Crunching some numbers from the senator's employer, at Western Oregon University, for years 2012-2013, the estimated undergraduate tuition and fees (15 credits per term) for an Oregon resident is \$8,529 per year, while an international student is \$21,114 per year.

Under SB10, WOU would be required to cut individual tuition and fees costs for **illegal international students** attending the university by \$12,585 per year.

As a result of the legislation becoming law, WOU would lose over a four-year period for every **illegal international student** attending the university \$50,340.

Sen. Courtney's support of instate tuition for **illegal international students** reveals a state legislator lacking a sense of fiduciary responsibility to his employer, his voting constituents and, moreover, the state's higher education system.

Oregonians should contact Sen. Courtney and ask him the following question: Senator, who is going to make up the tuition shortfall at Oregon's public four-year colleges and universities if instate tuition for **international students illegally in the country** becomes law?

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OPINION

Peter Courtney's actions are no surprise

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It doesn't surprise me that Peter Courtney is trying to get taxpayers to pay for college tuition subsidies for **illegal aliens**. They seem to be his favorite constituency.

Voters who re-elect Courtney anyway need to know whether this program is open to the massive fraud inherent in **illegal alien** schemes. For instance, what proof will the state require that the students have been in Oregon and the U.S. for the required time? What ID will they provide -- a flimsy matricula consular card?

The onus is on Peter Courtney and the state to prove ineligible **illegal aliens** will not be able to game the system, although history shows that citizens usually lose ground in compromises with **illegal immigrants**.

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