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To: Chair Barnhardt and Members of the Committee,

My name is Evan Bryan and I am the student body president at Eastern Oregon University. I am writing to urge you all to support House Bill 4097. Over last few months I have worked with my colleagues in the Oregon Student Association and with Rep. Julie Parrish's office in creating this legislation. This legislation will provide much needed tax relief to students who are in the process of trying to pay off their student loans. The average student loan debt for a graduate at Eastern Oregon University is \$25,109.00. In some cases I've talked to students who are on fifty year plans to pay off their student loans. Students need some relief from their student debt and this bill is a good step forward in helping students pay off their student loans. I urge this bill's passage. Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

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