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## Vote YES on House Bill 4053

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| Support Students | Increase Transparency | Improve the Transfer of Accelerated Learning Credits |

HB 4053 will provide policymakers with the data they need to craft policies that improve the transferability of accelerated learning credits.

### Why support this bill?

Oregon is investing heavily in accelerated learning programs through Measure 98 and Regional Promise Grants. Unfortunately, after completing accelerated learning courses, our high school graduates face inconsistent, unclear systems and policies when transferring these credits to public colleges and universities.

Students navigating these challenges – especially first-generation college-goers – are more likely to accumulate excessive debt and experience more barriers when it comes completing higher education.

### The bill will help improve the transition from high school to higher education for students by:

1. Building on the work that is happening through the transferability bill of 2017 (HB 2998).
2. Providing data from a representative sample of students at each public college and university around credit transferability.
3. Shedding light on the policies, methods, and procedures different public colleges and universities use to decide what accelerated learning credits they accept.
4. Serving as a springboard for future work to improve the transferability of credit from high school to higher education.

The Chief Education Office shall prepare the annual report on the transfer of accelerated learning credits, in collaboration with the Higher Education Coordinating Commission (HECC). Public colleges and universities must collaborate with HECC on determining the method for providing the representative sample and provide HECC with the required data around the transfer of credits. The report will be released no later than December 1st of each year. The report will sunset in 2029.

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