

February 1, 2022

House Committee on Human Services

Chair Williams, Vice-Chair Ruiz, Vice Chair Scharf and members of the committee:

The Oregon Women's Rights Coalition supports HB 4122 to support Oregon DACA young people with a grant program to help them retain their DACA status.

It is in the interest of Oregon to help DACA maintain their status. Many of Oregon DACAs have been educated with our tax dollars and keeping them in Oregon and the workforce should be a priority of us all.

Providing grants to appropriate community organizations with whom ODHS is already familiar is a good improvement to the bill.

There are Oregonians who care about this population. Our household participated in our neighborhood's foundation fundraisers. The foundation was established partially to assist local DACA's in meeting the financial requirements to maintain their status.

Please support HB 4122 and the future by helping Oregon's DACAs.

Thank you for your time.

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