



**COALITION OF
OREGON SCHOOL
ADMINISTRATORS**

February 3, 2022

TO: Oregon House Education Committee
FR: Parasa Chanramy, on behalf of the Coalition of Oregon School Administrators
RE: HB 4099 Testimony

Dear Chair Alonso Leon, Vice Chairs Neron and Weber, and Members of the House Education Committee:

My name is Parasa Chanramy and on behalf of the Coalition of Oregon School Administrators and our 2,700 administrators across Oregon, we urge you to pass House Bill 4099.

We want to thank Reps. Valderrama, Alonso Leon, Neron, Ruiz, Smith, Sen. Frederick, and many others for co-chief sponsoring this legislation and helping re-introduce the bill this session.

We also want to express how grateful we are to the youth leaders and our partners at REAP, the Association of Student Councils, the Association of Secondary School Administrators, and the Department of Education, for their continued support and work in the development of this bill.

This bill is intended to:

1. Support our youth leaders as they pursue leadership opportunities in the policy process, especially for youth from historically, and currently, underserved and underrepresented communities.
2. Help the state improve our education system so that we are meeting youth where they are at, recognizing their brilliance, and supporting them in realizing their full potential.
3. Build regional youth leadership networks around the state over time so that our youth see themselves reflected and represented, they are connected with more youth leaders, they know where to go for additional help, and they are supported in their efforts to help improve our education system.

When we first introduced this bill last session (HB 3363), it passed the House Education Committee with unanimous bipartisan support. We hope that we can continue to count on your support.

Thank you for your time today. We urge you to vote yes on HB 4099.