

Enrolled Senate Bill 424

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CHAPTER

AN ACT

Relating to transcript policies at post-secondary institutions of education.

Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:

SECTION 1. (1) A post-secondary institution of education that is based in this state may not:

- (a) Refuse to provide a transcript for a current or former student because the student owes a debt to the institution;
- (b) Charge a higher fee for obtaining a transcript to a current or former student because the student owes a debt to the institution; or
- (c) Use the issuance of a transcript as a tool for debt collection.

(2) As used in this section:

(a)(A) "Debt" means any money, obligation, claim or sum, due or owed, or alleged to be due or owed, from a student that appears on the student's account at the post-secondary institution of education.

(B) "Debt" does not mean the fee, if any, that is charged to all students for the actual cost of providing a transcript.

(b) "Transcript" means the statement of a student's academic record, including an official transcript, a certified statement of a student's academic record or an uncertified statement of a student's academic record, that is provided by a post-secondary institution of education.

SECTION 2. Section 1 of this 2023 Act first applies to the 2024-2025 academic year.

SECTION 3. No later than September 15, 2024, each post-secondary institution of education that is based in this state shall file a report with the Higher Education Coordinating Commission. The report shall include the following information for the 2023-2024 academic year:

- (1) The number of current and former students at the institution who owe a debt to the institution; and
- (2) The institution's policy and procedures on phasing out transcript holds.

SECTION 4. Section 3 of this 2023 Act is repealed on July 2, 2025.

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