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Chair Dembrow, Vice Chair Weber, and members of the committee...

For the record, my name is Marie Chisholm-Burns, and I serve as the Provost at Oregon Health & Science University (OHSU). I want to share testimony on behalf of OHSU in support of Senate Bill 424.

Effective immediately, OHSU is ending its practice of withholding official transcripts. We have directed our transcript services vendor to remove all transcript holds resulting from outstanding debts. This decision follows a thoughtful review of our policies as a result of the renewed discussions around this long-standing practice of many universities, including OHSU.

We wish to thank Sen. Dembrow and all of the bill's sponsors for their leadership in bringing this issue to the forefront.

Thank you for your time and thoughtful consideration of this legislation.

Sincerely,

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