Submitter: Bonnie Lassen

On Behalf Of:

Committee: Senate Committee On Education

Measure: SB523

Linn-Benton Community College

Good Afternoon,

I am writing in support of SB 523. By allowing and supporting community colleges to confer a BSN degree to RN's will provide a pathway for students who wish to continue their education in a community setting with a college they are comfortable with. This bill would open a pathway of accessibility for those students who do not wish to obtain their BSN from a university. This would also keep more tuition money in the state of Oregon vs going online in another state. For graduates from Linn-Benton Community Collège that do choose to go on for their BSN they tend to choose Western Governors University online out of Utah and Grand Canyon University in Arizona. Linn-Benton Community College would greatly appreciate the opportunity to support our graduates by being able to confer a BSN degree. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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