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House Committee on Higher Education

The Honorable Rep. John Lively, Chair  
The Honorable Rep. Emily McIntire, Vice Chair  
The Honorable Rep. Ricki Ruiz, Vice Chair

Chair Lively, Vice Chair McIntire, Vice Chair Ruiz and members of the committee for the record my name is Connie Seeley, and I serve as the President's chief of staff and board secretary to the Board of Directors at Oregon Health & Science University. I am here today to testify in support of Senate Bill 423.

As a public corporation of the state of Oregon, OHSU has a unique and distinct structure from the other universities in this state. We not only educate the next generation of clinicians, we are also one of the state's largest health systems.

At the core of everything at OHSU are the 19,000 dedicated members who work every day to fulfill OHSU's mission to improve the health and well-being of every Oregonian. We look forward to ensuring those voices are well represented on our board of directors through the addition of a faculty and non-faculty representative.

We appreciate the opportunity to work with Senator Dembrow and the supporters and stakeholders engaged in this legislation to identify a solution that recognizes OHSU's unique structure.

I am happy to answer any questions you might have.

Thank you.

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