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House passes bill to link Community Colleges and Universities

SALEM – A bill that creates a clear path for students to transfer between community colleges and universities passed the Oregon House unanimously today. HB 3251, championed by Representative Val Hoyle (D-West Eugene/Junction City), earlier received unanimous support in both the Higher Education and Education Committees. The bill makes it easier to transfer credits from community colleges to universities, said Hoyle.

“This will make college more affordable by ensuring the seamless transfer of credits,” said Hoyle. “Too many Oregonians come out of schools with a mountain of debt or face problems transferring credits. This bill removes barriers and helps students save money.”

HB 3521 is consistent with a legislative session that has focused on reforming the Higher Education system in Oregon to create a more seamless and affordable pathway for students.

“Education is vital to our economy,” said Hoyle “Even in these difficult economic times, there are ways we can make it easier for Oregonians to access and afford a college degree.”

HB 3521 now moves to the Senate for consideration.

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