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Senate Designates Eastern Oregon University as Oregon's Rural University

SALEM, Ore. - Today the Oregon State Senate passed House Bill 4153 designating Eastern Oregon University (EOU) as Oregon's Rural University.

"Eastern Oregon University has been serving rural Oregon since its founding in 1929," said Senator Bill Hansell (R-Athena). "Giving EOU this official designation will allow the university to appeal to potential students across the nation, and leverage federal Funds."

EOU reports that a statutory designation as a rural-serving institution will assist the university in accessing certain federal grants. EOU is located in La Grande, and its graduates are living and serving throughout the state. HB 4153 passed the Oregon House and Senate unanimously.