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A BILL

To enact section 3345.60 of the Revised Code to 1
require institutions of higher education to 2
release student transcripts regardless of 3
student-owed institutional debt. 4

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF OHIO:

Section 1. That section 3345.60 of the Revised Code be 5
enacted to read as follows: 6

Sec. 3345.60. (A) No institution of higher education shall 7
do any of the following: 8

(1) Refuse to provide a transcript for a current or former 9
student on the grounds that the student owes a debt to the 10
institution; 11

(2) Condition the provision of a transcript on the payment 12
of an institutional debt, other than a fee charged to provide 13
the transcript; 14

(3) Charge a higher fee for obtaining a transcript, or 15
provide less favorable treatment of a transcript request, 16

<u>because a student owes an institutional debt;</u>	17
<u>(4) Use transcript issuance as a tool for debt collection.</u>	18
<u>(B) As used in this section, "institution of higher education" includes all of the following:</u>	19
<u>(1) A state institution of higher education as defined in section 3345.011 of the Revised Code;</u>	20
<u>(2) A private, nonprofit institution in this state holding a certificate of authorization pursuant to Chapter 1713. of the Revised Code;</u>	21
<u>(3) A career college or school that holds a certificate of registration from the state board of career colleges and schools under Chapter 3332. of the Revised Code or a private institution exempt from regulation under Chapter 3332. of the Revised Code as prescribed in section 3333.046 of the Revised Code, if the program has a certificate of authorization pursuant to Chapter 1713. of the Revised Code.</u>	22
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