

SENATE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

April 18, 2001
1:00 PM

Hearing Room B
Tapes 92 - 94

MEMBERS PRESENT: **Sen. Bill Fisher, Chair**
 Sen. Margaret Carter, Vice-Chair
 Sen. Gary George
 Sen. Frank Shields
 Sen. Ken Messerle

STAFF PRESENT: **Rick Berkobien, Administrator**
 Andrew Morris, Committee Assistant

MEASURES HEARD: **SB 210 A Work Session**
 SB 569 Work Session
 SB 876 Public Hearing
 SB 784 Public Hearing
 SB 785 Public Hearing
 SB 790 Public Hearing
 SB 602 Public Hearing

These minutes are in compliance with Senate and House Rules. Only text enclosed in quotation marks reports a speaker's exact words. For complete contents, please refer to the tapes.

TAPE/#	Speaker	Comments
TAPE 92, A		
004	Chair Fisher	Calls meeting to order at 1:15 p.m. and opens a public hearing on SB's 784, 785, and 790
<u>SB 784, SB 785, SB 790 PUBLIC HEARING</u>		
015	Sen. Avel Gordly	SD 10. Testifies in support of SB's 784, 785, and 790 (EXHIBIT A) . Comments on the task force that created these bills.
050	Mark Gibson	Governor's Office. Testifies in support SB's 784, 785, and 790. Explains the background behind the presented bills. Comments on healthcare issues facing minorities.
089	Bob Mink	Interim Director, Department of Human Services (DHS). Testifies in support of SB's 784, 785, and 790. Comments on healthcare disparities. States a need for the legislation.
124	Donnie Griffen	Interim Deputy Director, DHS. Testifies in support of SB's 784, 785, and 790 (EXHIBIT B) . Addresses existing health disparities. States there is money in the governor's budget for the proposed legislation. Discusses cultural services provided by DHS.
184	Sen. Susan Castillo	SD 20. Testifies in support SB's 784, 785, and 790. Discusses the need for the presented legislation.
229	Sen. Carter	Comments on the task force that developed the legislation.
242	Sen. Gordly	Comments on data collection procedures. Explains data that was collected during the 1990's that showed disparities in minority healthcare.
294	Bob DiPrete	Oregon Health Plan Policy and Research. Testifies in support of SB 784. Comments on the need for appropriate data

371 Melvin Kohn collection methods.
MD, State Epidemiologist, Oregon Health Division. Testifies in support of SB 784 (**EXHIBIT C**). Comments on the need for data collection.

TAPE 93, A

000 Kohn Continues testimony.
010 Sen. Carter Comments on mental health treatment and violence prevention.
019 Kohn Discusses grant funding.
034 Jeff Tryens Oregon Progress Board. Testifies on SB 784. States the board had not met to take an official position, but states the board would support SB 784. Comments on data collection. Points out the diversity in Oregon.
083 Sen. Gordly Introduces members of the Governor's Task Force on Racial and Ethnic Health.
102 Corliss McKeever President and CEO of the African American Health Commission. Testifies in support of SB's 784, 785, and 790. Comments on the need for accurate data. Relates other cities and states data collection practices.
163 Dovie Trevino Governor's Task Force on Racial and Ethnic Health member. Testifies in support of SB 784, 785, and 790. Comments on the need for data collection.
182 Jackie Mercer Executive Director, Native American Rehabilitation. Testifies in support of SB's 784, 785, and 790. Reiterates the need for data collection done in a culturally sensitive manner.
226 Sen. Kate Brown SD 7. Testifies in support SB's 784, 785, and 790.
247 Bruce Bliatout Ph.D. Commission on Asian Affairs, Task Force member. Testifies in support of SB's 784, 785, and 790 (**EXHIBIT D**). Provides personal background. Comments on the need for the proposed legislation.
300 Carmen Urbina Latino Medical Access Coalition, Task Force Member. Testifies in support of SB's 784, 785, and 790. Reiterates the need for better data collection. Comments on the need for an office of multicultural health.
355 Sen. Shields Asks about the role of Oregon Health Sciences University (OHSU).
364 Bliatout Responds that OHSU had done a good job serving cultural needs.
390 Sen. Gordly Provides testimony on SB 785 and SB 790 (**EXHIBIT E**). Explains the background and role of SB 785.

TAPE 92, B

000 Sen. Gordly Continues testimony.
064 Vicki Nakashima DHS. Testifies in support of SB 785 (**EXHIBIT F**).
072 Maria Michalczyk National Board of Healthcare Interpreting. Testifies in support of SB 790 (**EXHIBIT G**). Gives background. Relates examples of misinterpretation.
179 Robin Lawson Business owner. Testifies in support of SB 790. Comments on the need for professional interpreters.
193 Chair Fisher Closes the public hearing on SB's 784, 785, and 790 and opens a work session on SB 201A.

SB 210A WORK SESSION

199 Rick Berkobien Administrator. Explains SB 210A.
222 Chair Fisher Closes the work session on SB 210A and opens a work session on SB 569.

SB 569 WORK SESSION

228	Berkobien	Explains SB 569 and the proposed amendments.
244	Jennifer Webber	Oregon Society of Physician Assistants. Testifies in support of SB 569. Comments on the background of SB 569.
287	Jim Anderson	Comments on the –2 amendments. Oregon Medical Association. Testifies in favor of the –2 amendments.
296	Sen. Carter	MOTION: Moves to ADOPT SB 569-2 amendments dated 04/04/01.
298	Chair Fisher	VOTE: 5-0
300	Sen. Carter	Hearing no objection, declares the motion CARRIED. MOTION: Moves SB 569 to the floor with a DO PASS AS AMENDED recommendation.
312	Chair Fisher	VOTE: 5-0 AYE: 5 - Carter, George, Messerle, Shields, Fisher The motion CARRIES.
315	Chair Fisher	SEN. CARTER will lead discussion on the floor. Closes the work session on SB 569 and opens a work session on SB 210A
<u>SB 210A WORK SESSION</u>		
320	Sen. Shields	Explains the –A5 amendments, which are consensus amendments.
335	Phyllis Rand	Governor’s Commission on Senior Services. States agreement with the –A5 amendments.
380	Sen. Carter	MOTION: Moves to ADOPT SB 210-A amendments dated 04/05/01.
382	Chair Fisher	VOTE: 5-0
383	Sen. Carter	Hearing no objection, declares the motion CARRIED. MOTION: Moves SB 210A to the floor with a DO PASS AS AMENDED recommendation.
388	Chair	VOTE: 5-0 AYE: 5 - Carter, George, Messerle, Shields, Fisher The motion CARRIES.
400	Chair Fisher	SEN. MINNIS will lead discussion on the floor. Closes the work session on SB 210A and opens a public hearing on SB 876.
<u>SB 876 PUBLIC HEARING</u>		
TAPE 93, B		
000	Berkobien	Explains SB 876
008	Sen. Rick Metsger	SD 14. Testifies in support of SB 876 (EXHIBIT H). Relates examples of seniors that need help.
046	Rep. Alan Bates	HD 52, MD. Testifies in support of SB 876. Relates examples of expensive medications.
100	Sen. Lee Beyer	SD 21. Testifies in support of SB 876 (EXHIBIT I). Relates examples of prescription costs. Relates possible savings to seniors. Comments on work done with the pharmacy association.
186	Rep. Laurie Monnes-Anderson	HD 22. Testifies in support of SB 876 (EXHIBIT J). Comments on prescription drug costs for seniors who do not have insurance or Medicaid coverage.
231	Sen. Tony Corcoran	SD 22. Testifies in support of SB 876. Discusses prescription drug costs. States there are 150,000 seniors in the state who have to pay full prescription costs.
297	Sen. George	Asks about tax revenue.

308	Sen. L. Beyer	Responds by explaining the Oregon tax rate.
335	Chair Fisher	Clarifies the tax impact of SB 876.
345	Sen. L. Beyer	Concurs with Sen. Fisher.
355	Jean Ballinger	Consumer. Testifies on SB 876. States she and her husband to refinance their home to cover prescription costs. Relates personal prescription costs.
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006	Lois Smith	American Association of Retired People. Testifies in support of SB 876 (EXHIBIT K). Comments on the impact of prescription costs for seniors.
054	John Santa	Oregon Health Plan Policy and Research. Testifies on SB 876 (EXHIBIT L). Provides concerns and observations.
088	Tom Holt	Oregon State Pharmacists Association. Testifies in opposition to SB 876 (EXHIBIT M). Points out the consequences if SB 876 was enacted.
169	Chair Fisher	Closes the public hearing on SB 876 and opens a public hearing on SB 602.
<u>SB 602 PUBLIC HEARING</u>		
186	Aris Campbell	Naturopathic Doctor (ND). Testifies in support of SB 602 (EXHIBIT N). Comments on natural medicine and working cooperatively with medical physicians.
269	Virginia Osborn	ND. Testifies in support of SB 602. Comments on previous legislation.
282	Rick Marinelli	ND. Testifies in support of SB 602. Discusses the inequalities that naturopaths face.
313	Chair Fisher	Enters testimony into the record (EXHIBIT O). (<i>testimony was only submitted by Lisa Trussel</i>)
333	Chair Fisher	Closes the public hearing on SB 602 and adjourns the meeting at 3:36 p.m.

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EXHIBIT SUMMARY

- A – SB 784, Written testimony, Sen. Avel Gordly, 2 pp.**
- B – SB 784, SB 785, SB 790, Written testimony, Donnie Griffen, 2 pp.**
- C – SB 784, Written testimony, Melvin Kohn, 2 pp.**
- D – SB 784, SB 790, Written testimony, Bruce Bliatout, 2 pp.**
- E – SB 785, SB 790, Written testimony, Sen. Avel Gordly, 4 pp.**
- F – SB 784, Written testimony, Vicki Nakashima, 2 pp.**
- G – SB 790, Written testimony, Maria Michalczyk, 1 p.**
- H – SB 876, Written testimony, Sen. Rick Metsger, 4 pp.**
- I – SB 876, Written testimony, Sen. Lee Beyer, 8 pp.**
- J – SB 876, Written testimony, Rep. Laurie Monnes-Anderson, 1 p.**
- K – SB 876, Written testimony, Lois Smith, 4 pp.**
- L – SB 876, Written testimony, John Santa, 2 pp.**

M – SB 876, Written testimony, Tom Holt, 1 p.

N – SB 602, Written testimony, Aris Campbell, 9 pp.

O – SB 602, Written testimony for Lisa Trussell, Sen. Bill Fisher, 1 p.