

HOUSE INTERIM COMMITTEE ON VETERANS' SERVICES
AND EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS

September 16, 2014
08:00 AM

Hearing Room F

MEMBERS PRESENT: Rep. Greg Matthews, Chair
Rep. Shemia Fagan, Vice-Chair
Rep. Julie Parrish, Vice-Chair
Rep. Deborah Boone
Rep. Sal Esquivel
Rep. John Huffman
Rep. Brad Witt

STAFF PRESENT: Cheyenne Ross, Committee Administrator
Mike Reiley, Committee Assistant

MEASURES/ISSUES HEARD: Informational Meeting
Opportunity to purchase seismic equipment
Secretary of State's review of the Oregon Department
of Veterans' Affairs
Oregon Department of Veterans' Affairs
Female veterans' health issues and access to care in
rural areas
Update on HB 2417 (2013) (housing assistance for
veterans)
Update on implementation of ORS 408.237 (job
interviews for veterans)
Discussion of possible Member and Committee
Legislative Concepts

EXHIBITS: Exhibits from this meeting are available [here](#)

Recording Log – Recording started 07:59:07 AM

00:00:12 Meeting Called to Order
00:00:23 Chair Matthews

00:00:57 [Opportunity to purchase seismic equipment - Informational Meeting](#)
00:01:10 Representative Nathanson, House District 13
00:02:18 Douglas Toomey, Professor of Geophysics, University of Oregon
00:03:09 EXHIBIT 1: PowerPoint, Doug Toomey
00:04:17 EXHIBIT 2: written testimony, Doug Toomey
00:05:44 EXHIBIT 3: testimony from Robert Woodward, Doug Toomey
00:05:46 EXHIBIT 4: Cascadia Subduction Zone paper, Doug Toomey
00:05:55 EXHIBIT 5: consensus statement, Doug Toomey

00:09:19 Chair Matthews
00:10:11 Vice-Chair Parrish
00:12:12 Representative Boone
00:12:56 Representative Esquivel

00:18:47 **Secretary of State's review of the Oregon Department of Veterans' Affairs - Informational Meeting**
00:19:03 Gary Blackmer, Director, Secretary of State (SOS), Audits Division
00:20:27 Elliot Shuford, SOS Staff Auditor
00:20:28 EXHIBIT 6: SOS ODVA audit report, Elliot Shuford
00:28:28 Chair Matthews
00:29:11 Representative Esquivel

00:30:36 **Oregon Department of Veterans' Affairs - Informational Meeting**
00:31:45 Cameron Smith, Director, Oregon Department of Veterans
00:32:40 EXHIBIT 7: PowerPoint, Cameron Smith
00:34:14 Sheronne Blasi, Secretary of State's office
00:52:55 Representative Huffman
00:54:25 Representative Esquivel
00:57:42 Vice-Chair Parrish
01:10:42 Dwight Holton, CEO, Lines for Life
01:21:06 Chair Matthews

01:36:44 **Female veterans' health issues and access to care in rural areas - Informational Meeting**
01:36:55 Chair Matthews
01:38:09 Cindi Warburton, Family Nurse Practitioner, Bend, OR
01:38:37 EXHIBIT 8: PowerPoint, Cindi Warburton
01:51:58 Chair Matthews
01:53:59 Representative Witt
02:00:17 Representative Boone
02:04:17 Representative Esquivel

02:07:33 **Update on HB 2417 (2013) (housing assistance for veterans) - Informational Meeting**
02:07:55 Ryan Fisher, Community Action Partnership and Oregon Housing Authorities
02:13:59 Chair Matthews
02:14:20 Alison McIntosh, Government Liaison, Oregon Housing and Community Services

02:21:21 **Update on implementation of ORS 408.237 (job interviews for veterans) - Informational Meeting**
02:21:34 Chair Matthews
02:22:30 Paloma Sparks, Bureau of Labor and Industries
02:22:50 EXHIBIT 9: written testimony, Paloma Sparks

02:26:11 Representative Huffman
02:28:21 Vice-Chair Parrish
02:29:28 Representative Esquivel
02:30:16 Laurie Skillman, Oregon Department of Veterans' Affairs
02:30:50 EXHIBIT 10: handout, Lillian Skillman
02:30:51 EXHIBIT 11: ODVA 2014 annual report, Lillian Skillman
02:40:42 Andy Smith, Association of Oregon Counties

02:47:24 **Discussion of possible Member and Committee Legislative Concepts
- Informational Meeting**
02:47:28 Chair Matthews
02:47:55 Representative Boone
02:48:16 Rick Berkobien, Committee Administrator
02:48:48 Vice-Chair Parrish
02:50:58 Meeting Adjourned