

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON
AGRICULTURE AND NATURAL RESOURCES

February 23, 2005 Hearing Room C

9:00 A.M. Tape 21

MEMBERS PRESENT: Rep. Patti Smith, Chair

Rep. Brian Boquist, Vice-Chair

Rep. Arnie Roblan, Vice-Chair

Rep. Terry Beyer

Rep. Chuck Burley

Rep. Mac Sumner

MEMBER EXCUSED: Rep. Mark Hass

STAFF PRESENT: Patrick Brennan, Committee Administrator

Jania Zeeb, Committee Assistant

MEASURES/ISSUES HEARD:

HB 2539 – Public Hearing and Work Session

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TAPE 21, A

003 Chair P. Smith Calls meeting to order at 9:06 a.m. and opens the public hearing on HB 2539.

HB 2539 – PUBLIC HEARING

010 Patrick Brennan Committee Administrator. Explains HB 2539 and the -1 amendments **(EXHIBIT A)**.

020 Joe Gilliam Oregon Grocers Association. Testifies in support of HB 2539. Submits a packet of information on the ODA Food Safety Fee Comparison. Explains the changes HB 2539 makes by using the chart **(EXHIBIT B, Page 3)**.

054 Gilliam Discusses the -1 amendments **(EXHIBIT A)**.

070 Chair P. Smith Asks if the -1 amendments replace the bill.

071 Gilliam Answers affirmatively.

076 Rep. Boquist Inquires how much in General Fund dollars were put into the Food Safety program in the 2001-2003 Biennium.

088 Gilliam Answers that the program began the 2003-2005 Biennium at \$1.8 million but was cut to \$400,000. Notes that the program was funded above \$2 million during the 2001-2003 Biennium.

091 Gilliam Submits and refers to informational material that gives a brief synopsis of each section of the bill **(EXHIBIT C)**.

095 Chair P. Smith Inquires if the Department of Agriculture supports HB 2539.

098 Gilliam States that the department is in agreement with the measure and the -1 amendments.

105 Chair P. Smith Closes the public hearing and opens the work session on HB 2539.

HB 2539 - Work Session

108 Rep. Roblan **MOTION: Moves to ADOPT HB 2539-1 amendments dated 2/21/05.**

111 Rep. Boquist Comments on the Oregon Grocer's Association's cooperation with the Department of Agriculture to compromise.

115 **VOTE: 6-0-1**

EXCUSED: 1 - Hass

Chair P. Smith Hearing no objection, declares the motion CARRIED.

118 Rep. Roblan **MOTION: Moves HB 2539 to the floor with a DO PASS AS AMENDED recommendation and BE REFERRED to the committee on Ways and Means by prior reference.**

123 **VOTE: 6-0-1**

EXCUSED: 1 - Hass

Chair P. Smith Hearing no objection, declares the motion CARRIED.

142 Chair P. Smith Closes work session on HB 2539 and adjourns the meeting at 9:15 a.m.

EXHIBIT SUMMARY

- A. HB 2539, -1 Amendments, staff, 38 pp
- B. HB 2539, ODA Food Safety Comparison informational packet, Joe Gilliam, 13 pp
- C. HB 2539, synopses of HB 2539, Joe Gilliam, 1 p