

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON
AGRICULTURE AND NATURAL RESOURCES

May 02, 2005 Hearing Room C

9:00 A.M. Tapes 56 - 57

MEMBERS PRESENT: **Rep. Patti Smith, Chair**

Rep. Brian Boquist, Vice-Chair

Rep. Arnie Roblan, Vice-Chair

Rep. Terry Beyer

Rep. Chuck Burley

Rep. Mark Hass

Rep. Mac Sumner

STAFF PRESENT: **Patrick Brennan, Committee Administrator**

Jania Zeeb, Committee Assistant

MEASURES/ISSUES HEARD:

HB 2930 – Public Hearing

HB 3082 – Work Session

Approval of Drafting Requests – Work Session

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TAPE 56, A

003 Chair P. Smith Calls the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. and opens a public hearing on HB 2930.

HB 2930 – Public Hearing

007 Patrick Brennan Committee Administrator. Summarizes HB 2930.

020 Kristina McNitt Oregon Small Woodlands Association (OSWA). Submits and reads prepared testimony in support of HB 2930 (**EXHIBIT A**). Discusses the -1 amendments (**EXHIBIT B**).

061 McNitt Discusses the symposium on family forestland and the resulting report (**EXHIBIT C**).

068 Mike Gaudern Executive Director, OSWA. Testifies in support of HB 2930. Discusses the benefits of HB 2930.

105 Gaudern Comments on the challenge of owning family woodlands.

134 Rep. Hass Inquires if there is a fiscal impact statement on HB 2930.

137 Brennan Responds that the committee has not received a fiscal impact statement on HB 2930.

139 Chair P. Smith Asks if there is a fiscal impact.

140 Brennan Responds he is unsure.

142 McNitt Comments that the intent is not to add any responsibilities to the Department of Forestry.

150 Rep. Hass Talks about his concerns with HB 2930. Comments on the vague language used in the bill.

163 Gaudern Mentions his training in forestry. Comments on the communication gap between professionals and woodland owners.

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| 185 | Rep. Hass | Questions how to enforce departmental consideration. |
| 197 | McNitt | Answers by discussing the type of things the bill's proponents are trying to avoid. Refers to the publication, and what was found in the symposium (EXHIBIT C, Page 6). |
| 239 | McNitt | Talks about what the Board of Forestry is already required to do. |
| 246 | Rep. Roblan | Refers to the -1 amendments. Talks about the possibility of a fiscal impact, and asks if Ms. McNitt could comment on that. |
| 266 | McNitt | Responds that those are the types of discussions they would like to have with the Board of Forestry. |
| 283 | Rep. Roblan | Comments on the landowners he knows in Coos County. States that he understands the issue. |
| 299 | Rep. Burley | States that all family forest landowners are subject to the Forest Protection Act. Asks if HB 2930 would change that. |
| 302 | McNitt | Replies it will not affect that. |
| 303 | Rep. Burley | States that they already answered his question regarding long term regulatory stability verses short term impact. Discusses the example of the stream-side protection rule change and the effects that had on decision making. |
| 321 | Gaudern | Comments that he has seen what happens when private landowners sell off the land. |
| 346 | George Ponte | Forest Policy Analyst, Oregon Department of Forestry (ODF). Submits and reads prepared testimony regarding HB 2930 (EXHIBIT D). |
| 414 | Ponte | Comments on the main concern ODF has with HB 2930. |

TAPE 57, A

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| 012 | Chair P. Smith | Asks if Mr. Ponte can address the fiscal impact. |
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| 014 | Ponte | States that he does not know the fiscal impact. |
| 017 | Rep. Roblan | Asks if there is a word that would be more acceptable to ODF than the one currently used. |
| 020 | Ponte | Answers that he does not know. |
| 022 | Rep. Burley | Uses the stream-side protection example from earlier. Talks about how there are situations when the private landowner's contribution can be quantified. |
| 030 | Ponte | Responds that he does not disagree with the concept, but explains the information that is not available to ODF. |
| 040 | Chair P. Smith | Closes the Public hearing on HB 2930 and opens a work session on HB 3082. |

HB 3082 – WORK SESSION

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| 058 | Patrick Brennan | Committee Administrator. Summarizes HB 3082. Discusses the -2 amendments (EXHIBIT D). |
| 074 | Terry Witt | Executive Director, Oregonians for Food and Shelter (OFS). Discusses the -2 amendments. |
| 103 | Witt | Talks about the changes the -2 amendments make to HB 3082. |
| 112 | Witt | States that the administration of the program has been shifted from the Department of State Police to the Department of Agriculture. |
| 120 | Witt | Begins a section-by-section overview of the -2 amendments. |
| 164 | Rep. Burley | Asks for clarification on how much it costs to add the product. |
| 165 | Witt | States that the price of Glo-Tell is about \$9 per ton of treated material. |
| 168 | Rep. Burley | Asks what the cost would be if all of the ammonia in the state was treated with Glo-Tell . |

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| 172 | Witt | Responds that in 2003 there were 25,800 tons shipped into the state to be used as fertilizer. |
| 185 | Witt | Continues talking about the -2 amendments. |
| 226 | Witt | Discusses the requirements for reimbursement. |
| 261 | Witt | Talks about section 5 of the -2 amendments. |
| 297 | Lt. Craig Durbin | Oregon State Police. Comments on what was considered in the work group. States that is the measure will provide another piece of the puzzle to help curb methamphetamine production. |
| 345 | Durbin | Discusses the importance of discouraging the use of anhydrous ammonia in making meth. |
| 394 | Witt | Comments on the benefits of sending HB 3082 to Ways and Means. |
| 410 | Lisa Hanson | Assistant Director, Department of Agriculture. States that the Department supports the discouragement of meth. States that they anticipate that additional resources would be needed as a result of HB 3082. |

TAPE 56, B

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| 010 | Chair P. Smith | Asks how much additional resources would be needed. |
| 013 | Hanson | Answers that the department has not put together an official fiscal impact. |
| 014 | Chair P. Smith | Inquires about the development of the fiscal impact for the measure. |
| 015 | Brennan | Responds that it would be done when the bill is sent to the Joint Committee on Ways and Means. |
| 018 | Rep. Boquist | Comments on the benefits of looking at what other states have done in this area and learning from their programs. |
| 028 | Hanson | Responds that the department would look at the programs in other states. |

- 035 Witt States why the fiscal impact is higher in the midwestern states. Comments on the benefits of HB 3082.
- 052 Rep. Boquist **MOTION: Moves to ADOPT HB 3082-2 amendments dated 4/29/05.**
- VOTE: 7-0-0**
- AYE: In a roll call vote, all members present vote Aye.**
- Chair P. Smith **The motion CARRIES.**
- 052 Rep. Roblan **MOTION: Moves HB 3082 to the floor with a DO PASS AS AMENDED recommendation and the SUBSEQUENT REFERRAL to the Committee on Ways and Means BE RESCINDED and BE REFERRED to the Committee on Revenue.**
- 060 Rep. Burley States that he will support HB 3082 even though in principle he is usually not in favor of statutory committees, one of which is created by the bill.
- VOTE: 7-0-0**
- AYE: In a roll call vote, all members present vote Aye.**
- Chair P. Smith **The motion CARRIES.**
- 079 Chair P. Smith Closes the work session on HB 3082 and opens a work session for the approval of drafting requests.

APPROVAL OF DRAFTING REQUESTS – WORK SESSION

- 084 Patrick Brennan Committee Administrator. Explains the drafting request regarding the designation of an official state rose (**EXHIBIT F**). Explains the drafting request regarding the management of wolves (**EXHIBIT G**).
- 015 Rep. Boquist

MOTION: Moves with the Speakers approval that Legislative Counsel BE DIRECTED to draft bills regarding wolf management and designating the official state rose.

- 121 Rep. Beyer Clarifies that this is just for drafting and does not indicate support for or opposition to a bill.
- 123 Chair P. Smith Discusses the process.
- 127 Brennan Talks about the process.
- 129 VOTE: 7-0-0**
- AYE: In a roll call vote, all members present vote Aye.**
- Chair P. Smith The motion CARRIES.**
- 138 Chair P. Smith Closes the work session on the approval of drafting requests and adjourns the meeting at 10:13 a.m.

EXHIBIT SUMMARY

- A. **HB 2930, prepared testimony, Kristina McNitt, 3 pp**
- B. **HB 2930, -1 amendments, Rep. Smith, 1 p**
- C. **HB 2930, informational material, Kristina McNitt, 16 pp**
- D. **HB 2930, prepared testimony, George Ponte, 2 pp**
- E. **HB 3082, -2 amendments, staff, 6 pp**
- F. **Drafting Request, Oregold Rose, staff, 2 pp**
- G. **Drafting Request, wolf management, staff, 13 pp**