

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON
HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

April 06, 2005 Hearing Room D

8:30 A.M. Tapes 79 - 82

MEMBERS PRESENT: **Rep. Billy Dalto, Chair**

Rep. Tom Butler, Vice-Chair

Rep. Carolyn Tomei, Vice-Chair

Rep. Gordon Anderson

Rep. Deborah Boone

Rep. Kevin Cameron

Rep. Mitch Greenlick

STAFF PRESENT: **Sandy Thiele-Cirka, Committee Administrator**

Pamella Andersen, Committee Assistant

MEASURES/ISSUES HEARD:

HB 2500 – Work Session

HB 2991 – Public Hearing

HB 2836 – Public Hearing

HB 2606 – Public Hearing

HB 3230 – Public Hearing

HB 3049 – 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 79, A		
004	Chair Dalto	Calls the meeting to order at 8:38 a.m. Opens a work session on HB 2500.

hb 2500 – WORK SESSION

020	Rep. Butler	MOTION: Moves HB 2500 to the floor with a DO PASS recommendation.
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023		VOTE: 7-0-0
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AYE: In a roll call vote, all members present vote Aye.

	Chair Dalto	The motion CARRIES.
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033	Rep. Butler	MOTION: Moves HB 2500 be placed on the CONSENT CALENDAR.
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035		VOTE: 7-0-0
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	Chair Dalto	Hearing no objection, declares the motion CARRIED.
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038	Chair Dalto	Closes the work session on HB 2500. Opens a public hearing on HB 2991.
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hb 2991 – PUBLIC HEARING

039	Sandy Thiele-Cirka	Administrator. Summarizes HB 2991.
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042	Rep. Betty Komp	House District 22. Submits and reviews written testimony in support of HB 2991 (exhibit a).
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063	Rep. Butler	Asks what agency would administer this license.
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065	Rep. Komp	Replies existing dog licensing agencies in cities and counties would administer this license.
070	Rep. Butler	Questions the impact of a person with a trained service animal moving from a small town with no licensing agency to a larger city with one.
083	Beverly Wright	Service Companion Association. Addresses Rep. Butler's question, recommending the program be funded and administered through the Department of Motor Vehicles. Elaborates. States all that is required to have a service animal is a prescription from a physician. Reports the federal government protects service animals. Explains differences between service companions and service animals. Recommends an identification patch be placed on the dogs indicating they have been, or are being trained.
165	Rep. Butler	Asks if services animals are on leashes in public so they can be identified with their owner.
175	Wright	Responds normally, yes. Clarifies people are using exotic animals as companions that make a mockery of true service animals. Notes the limits in the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA).
194	Rep. Butler	States the federal government has limited service animals to be canine. Asks if guidelines have been set for registration or identification.
200	Wright	Responds, no, as it needs to be on a state level. Notes there are only six states with such a program.
211	Rep. Butler	Inquires about the programs in those six states.
214	Thiele-Cirka	Reports that details can be researched on the web sites of the six states, and there is a national Service Animal Association.
233	Rep. Butler	States he would like Oregon to copy what has been successful in other states.
250	Wright	Mentions her web site www.servicecompanions.com , and explains her dog is an epilepsy seizure companion.
263	Danielle Knight	

Acting Executive Director, Oregon Disabilities Commission (ODC). Submits and reviews written testimony in opposition to HB 2991 (**exhibit b**). Reports the bill would violate federal law which does not require any identifying marks on service animals in order to protect citizen privacy. Notes the Department of Justice is reviewing the ADA and federal law would be a more appropriate means for addressing this issue. Relates difficulties with the recommended process.

- 309 Rep. Cameron Inquires if federal guidelines specify only canines may be used as service animals.
- 312 Knight Responds, no, some who are allergic to canines use monkeys.
- 320 Rep. Cameron Believes it would be easier to educate business owners based on use of a certificate.
- 338 Wright States the issue is the fee, cost of training and all the accoutrements.
- 389 Chair Dalto Closes the public hearing on HB 2991. Opens a public hearing on HB 2836.

hb 2836 – PUBLIC HEARING

- 402 Rep. Carolyn Tomei House District 41. Submits and reviews written testimony in support of HB 2836 (**exhibit c**) and the -1 amendments (**exhibit d**). Relates personal experience in a local restaurant where the cigarette smoke floated to the non-smokers. Mentions second experience at another restaurant with smoke filtering out of the gaming area. Explains the Oregon Clean Air Act that was passed did not cover these situations.

TAPE 80, A

- 030 Rep. Tomei Continues testimony. Mentions letter she received about a hookah bar. States minors and others are being impacted by this unregulated smoke. States the purpose of the bill is to close the loopholes left by the previous bill.
- 066 Chair Dalto Questions how the bill would impact an employee driving in the course of their work.
- 074 Rep. Tomei

		Believes the issue would be exposing any accompanying employee to smoke.
077	Rep. Cameron	Requests clarification on the impact to a restaurant with a centralized bar.
084	Rep. Tomei	Replies the restaurant would have to enclose the smoking area so the smoke doesn't drift.
091	Mel Kohn	Epidemiologist, Department of Human Services (DHS). Submits and reviews written testimony in support of HB 2836 (exhibit e). Reports eighteen Oregonians die from tobacco-related illnesses each day. Discusses increased fee structure compared to current law. Addresses issue of employees traveling together. Mentions hookah bar issue and the definition of a retail tobacco shop. Notes he has heard about the amendment and believes it speaks to intent of the original bill. Mentions additional issue of persons in a vehicle with others who are smoking.
183	Rep. Butler	Asks if Kohn's office has received complaints from people going into tobacco stores that they don't like the smell.
194	Kohn	Reports they have not received a large number of complaints from tobacco stores, noting tobacco stores don't allow smoking on the premises.
205	Rep. Butler	Comments it seems unusual to restrict what the tobacconists already restrict.
221	Rep. Tomei	Requests confirmation the purpose is to ensure hookah bars are not seen as tobacco stores.
232	Kohn	Confirm the goal is to clear up that ambiguity.
242	Rep. Greenlick	Asks if HB 2836 would make Oregon law consistent with that of other states with clean air acts.
244	Kohn	Notes an increase in this type of legislation in other states and worldwide. States others do not have the exemptions Oregon has, and this bill would make the law easier to enforce.
257	Rep. Cameron	Requests the number of fines levied.

261	Kohn	Responds the number is very low, if any, as compliance has been good. States there are issues with enforcement, and the low fines encourage some people to break the law and gladly pay the fine.
277	Rep. Cameron	Inquires if there are places the state should be levying fines.
280	Kohn	Comments there would be more effective compliance if the threat was more seriously perceived.
285	Rep. Cameron	Asks if there are provisions by which businesses may apply for exceptions.
290	Kohn	Replies, yes, the state public health officer may grant exceptions by rule. Reports no exceptions have been granted and requests have been small in number.
321	Laura Culberson	Executive Director, Tobacco Free Coalition of Oregon (TOFCO). Submits and reviews written testimony in support of HB 2836 (exhibit f). Notes large number of complaints they receive from people who are being exposed to second hand smoke. Provides examples of some of the calls they get. Mentions testimony from Portland cab driver on working in a vehicle where customers are smoking (exhibit g). Believes this law would not allow people to smoke in a work vehicle at any time.
391	Chair Dalto	Questions freedoms of contractor or interstate truck driver who wishes to smoke in their own vehicle.
396	Culberson	Defers to DHS. Notes the more exemptions included, the more difficult to ensure compliance.
404	Chair Dalto	Requests confirmation the freedoms of such people should be set aside for the sake of a clear law.
412	Culberson	Suggests DHS be charged to develop clear language. Continues testimony with discussion of employers who are not in compliance, and necessity of adding a retaliation clause, as employees presently can't complain without risk. Touches on hookah bar issue, explaining the concept which caters to the underage market.

008	Rep. Boone	Expresses concern good intentions be coupled with common sense. Notes people can choose not to patronize a smoking establishment. Notes concern about restricting smoking in personal vehicles.
030	Culberson	Comments the bill does not affect self-employed or sole-proprietorships. Reiterates workers don't have a choice. Elaborates.
044	Chair Dalto	States people need to be responsible for their own choices of where they work and where they recreate.
048	Rep. Cameron	Asks if the bill gives the state police authority to write a ticket for smoking in a company vehicle.
055	Culberson	Defers to DHS, noting this is primarily a complaint-driven law, and fines would be given only if someone complained. Under existing law, fines are being issued, but the cost is not high enough to compel people to comply.
084	Rep. Tomei	Inquires what workers are generally exposed to smoke.
086	Culberson	Lists those working in bars, restaurants, the hospitality industry, bowling alleys, and bingo halls.
089	Rep. Tomei	Requests information be provided on the ratio of male to female and their salary ranges.
095	Chair Dalto	Closes the public hearing on HB 2836. Opens a public hearing on HB 2606.

hb 2606 – PUBLIC HEARING

104	Rep. Mike Schaufler	House District 48. Testifies in support of HB 2606. Discusses government transparency and who is benefiting from state-subsidized health care. Questions whether Oregon is subsidizing people who can afford their own care.
157	Rep. Greenlick	Clarifies any employer offering health insurance is offering public-subsidized health insurance because it is paid with pre-tax dollars. Notes the need to consider how much Oregon is subsidizing as a tax expenditure and as a fiscal expenditure.

192	Schaufler	Welcomes any ideas for effectiveness.
202	Rep. Cameron	Questions whether all state employees, including the House and Senate would be on the list.
213	Rep. Greenlick	Mentions Section 1 has a restriction.
218	Patty Wentz	Oregon American Federation of Labor and Congress of Industrial Organizations (AFL-CIO). Testifies in support of HB 2606. Clarifies the list would be of employers, not employees. Notes the bill will reveal how much the state is paying when profitable, private companies do not provide health care to their employees, and then allow the state to hold these companies accountable.
269	Monte Burke	Program Manager, Office of Prevention and Transitional Benefits, Department of Human Services (DHS). Submits and reviews written testimony in opposition to HB 2606 (exhibit h). Addresses staff hours required to monitor employers and create a database. Relates DHS is researching whether some of the information could be secured through information already available through the Oregon Employment Department.
315	Rep. Tomei	Asks if DHS has investigated how other states collect this information.
320	Burke	Responds, he will do so.
322	Rep. Greenlick	Inquires if this can be done legally.
329	Burke	Notes he is unsure if the issue would be legality or difficulty.
331	Chair Dalto	Closes the public hearing on HB 2606. Opens a public hearing on HB 3230.

hb 3230 – PUBLIC HEARING

348	Rep. Steve March	House District 46. Submits and reviews written testimony in support of HB 3230 (exhibit i). Relates goal of the bill. Notes other related legislation in the Senate. Clarifies differences in purpose. Discusses funding misses, and what funding what will be allowed.
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- 440 Brad Wolf Oregon Telecommunications Association (OTA). States the association's only objection to the bill related to funding, which seems to have been changed.
- 445 Chair Dalto Requests Wolf meet with the proponents to gain agreement.

TAPE 80, B

- 005 George Skeler Oregon Association of the Deaf (OAD). Submits and reviews written testimony in support of HB 3230 (**exhibit j**). States deafness is a communication disability. Mentions limited staff for deaf access programs in Oregon. Discusses name and image change. Relates amendment he would like to see adopted.
- 059 Chair Dalto Asks Skeler to work with Rep. March on the amendment request.
- 075 T.J. Campbell Carson Deaf citizen. Submits and reviews written testimony in support of HB 3230 (**exhibit k**). Relates information on her past work at the deaf addiction center in Washington, one of five in the nation. Reviews her present work as an advocate and translator for the deaf in Oregon. States the need for a range of choices. Recommends deaf and hard of hearing service centers.
- 173 Sr. Linda Roby Director, Catholic Deaf Ministry, Archdiocese of Portland. Submits and reviews written testimony in support of HB 3230 (**exhibit l**). Reports negotiating through agencies and systems is a huge challenge for the deaf. Notes providers need a strong understanding of deaf culture, and support centers need to be able to focus on the intended purpose.
- 226 Margi Morgan Vice President, OAD. Submits and reviews written testimony in support of HB 3230 (**exhibit m**). Relates experience with another deaf woman purchasing a house who didn't understand the legal paperwork.
- 277 Danielle Knight Acting Executive Director, ODC. Submits and reviews written testimony on HB 3230 (**exhibit n**). Reports the commission supports service centers, but it opposes the separating of the ODC and DHHAP programs.
- 306 Bob Williams Board member, Self Help for Hard-of-Hearing People of Oregon (SHHHPO). Submits and reviews written testimony in support of HB 3230 (**exhibit o**). Notes the decrease in staffing of the program for

the deaf. Explains differing issues between the deaf and hard-of-hearing. Comments on the limited services outside the valley corridor.

- 379 David Viers President, SHHHPO. Submits and reviews written testimony in support of HB 3230 (**exhibit p**). Deaf and Hard of Hearing Access Program (DHHAP) and ODC are no longer a good fit. ODC does not value the input of the deaf community. Relates ODC and DHHAP funding have not remained separate, nor the staff functions.
- 458 Helen Boyd Submits Facing the Challenge (**exhibit q**) and testifies in support of HB 3230.

TAPE 81, a

- 002 Boyd Continues testimony. Discusses difficulties in hearing loss, and relates family challenges of many with hearing loss. Lists places the hearing impaired seek help. Relates her experience in the state hospital. Supports this bill to promote equal access, advocacy and community support. Summarizes testimony.
- 058 Rep. Greenlick Relates the project he is working on with Oregon Health and Science University (OHSU) and Oregon Museum of Science and Industry (OMSI). Notes there are the classically deaf, but now many are becoming hearing impaired due to loud sounds and other factors.
- 069 Linda Diaz Hard of Hearing and Deaf Coordinator, Lane Independent Living Alliance. Submits and reviews written testimony in support of HB 3230 (**exhibit r**). Shares personal story of hearing loss with Beethoven's disease in 1989. Continues testimony. Relates an information center could have helped her understand what was happening and what options she had.
- 159 Melita Green Citizen. Testifies in support of HB 3230. Relates her work with the deaf and hard of hearing in vocational rehabilitation. States staff in government departments are insufficiently trained to help people with these special needs and don't understand them. Reports the low levels of access, services and advocacy for the hearing impaired, with only those in support groups receiving assistance. Comments the blind have their own commission.
- 233 Mark Azure Deaf citizen. Testifies in support of HB 3230. States he is a former agency trainer in the deaf and hard of hearing program, and now

teaches a deaf studies class and interpreting. Reports he has seen attempts to bridge gaps, but some are beginning to falter and collapse.

- 277 Renwick Dayton President, OAD. Submits and reviews written testimony in support of HB 3230 (**exhibit s**). Lists reasons the bill is necessary. States DHHAP is failing to serve the deaf and hard of hearing, but are serving the agency, instead. Recommends a new name for DHHAP. Comments on the need for self-determination and discusses placement within a larger agency.
- 386 Sherry Andrus Sign language interpreter. Submits and reviews written testimony in support of HB 3230 (**exhibit t**). Reviews limitations of staff in serving the needs of the deaf and hard of hearing. Provides information on what other states are doing (**exhibit u**). Suggests Oregon be part of the survey next year.
- 471 Genie Ott Mendiola DHHAP Advisory Committee. Submits and reviews written testimony in support of HB 3230 (**exhibit v**).

TAPE 82, A

- 007 Ott Mendiola Continues testimony. Notes other states that have services for the hearing impaired. Mentions the need for a college that focuses on all disabilities, and for training of the general public.
- 038 Chair Dalto Closes the public hearing on HB 3230. Opens a public hearing on HB 3049.

hb 3049 – PUBLIC HEARING

- 046 Brian DeLashmutt Community Providers Association of Oregon. Testifies in support of HB 3049. Explains purpose of bill. Notes the need to remove the disincentive for the developmentally disabled to earn their own incomes.
- 069 Caleb Arnold Self Advocates As Leaders (SAAL). Explains existing financial limitations.
- 093 Cindy Helvington Executive Director, SAAL. Reports the Developmentally Disabled Coalition supports the bill. Submits and reviews written testimony in support of HB 3230 (**exhibit w**). States she is advocating for clients to keep more of the money they earn.

121	Arnold	Discusses managing earned income.
137	Sue Neal	Developmentally disabled citizen. Submits and reviews written testimony in support of HB 3049 (exhibit x).
159	Sallye Mills	Director of Employment Services, Partnerships in Community Living. Submits and reviews written testimony in support of HB 3049 (exhibit y). Discusses the offsets clients have to pay after earning. States she wants to see an incentive to work.
188	Chair Dalto	Closes the public hearing on HB 3049.

The following prepared testimony is submitted for the records without public testimony:

	George Sckeler	Written testimony in support of HB 3230 from Robert Abbott (Exhibit z).
	George Sckeler	Written testimony in support of HB 3230 from Bob Russell (Exhibit aa).
	Chair Dalto	Email testimony in support of HB 3230 from Georgia Lynn Ortiz (exhibit bb).
189	Chair Dalto	Adjourns the meeting at 11:17 a.m.

EXHIBIT SUMMARY

1. **A. HB 2991, written testimony, Rep. Betty Komp, 1 p**
2. **B. HB 2991, written testimony, Danielle Knight, 2 pp**
3. **C. HB 2836, written testimony, Rep. Carolyn Tomei, 6 pp**
4. **D. HB 2836, written testimony, Rep. Carolyn Tomei, 1 p**
5. **E. HB 2836, written testimony, Mel Kohn, 3 pp**
6. **F. HB 2836, written testimony, Laura Culberson, 2 pp**
7. **G. HB 2836, written testimony of Bob Wagner, Laura Culberson, 1 p**
8. **H. HB 2606, written testimony, Monte Burke, 2 pp**
9. **I. HB 3230, written testimony, Rep. Steve March, 2 pp**
10. **J. HB 3230, written testimony, George Scheler, 2 pp**
11. **K. HB 3230, written testimony, T. J. Campbell Carson, 2 pp**
12. **L. HB 3230, written testimony, Sr. Linda Roby, 1 p**
13. **M. HB 3230, written testimony, Margi Morgan, 1 p**

14. N. HB 3230, written testimony, Danielle Knight, 2 pp
15. O. HB 3230, written testimony, Bob Williams, 2 pp
16. P. HB 3230, written testimony, David Viers, 1 p
17. Q. HB 3230, Facing the Challenge pamphlet, Helen Boyd, 66 pp
18. R. HB 3230, written testimony, Linda Diaz, 2 pp
19. S. HB 3230, written testimony, Renwick Dayton, 1 p
20. T. HB 3230, written testimony, Sherry Andrus, 2 pp
21. U. HB 3230, 2004 Survey of the State Commissions Divisions and Councils Serving Deaf and Hard of Hearing People, Sherry Andrus, 23 pp
22. V. HB 3230, written testimony, Genie Ott Meniola, 2 pp
23. W. HB 3049, written testimony, Cindy Helvington, 1 p
24. X. HB 3049, written testimony, Sue Neal, 1 p
25. Y. HB 3049, written testimony, Sallye Mills, 1 p

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1. Z. HB 3230, written testimony of Robert Abbott, George Sckeler, 2 pp
2. AA. HB 3230, written testimony of Bob Russell, George Sckeler, 1 p
3. BB. HB 3230, email testimony of George Lynn Ortiz, Rep. Billy Dalto, 2 pp

8:30 A.M. Tapes 71 - 73

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MEASURES/ISSUES HEARD:

Oregon Alliance for Child Advocacy - Informational Meeting

HB 2640 – Public Hearing

HB 2362 – Public Hearing

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TAPE/# Speaker Comments

TAPE 71, A

004 Chair Dalto Calls the meeting to order at 8:36 a.m. Opens the informational meeting on Oregon Alliance for Child Advocacy.

Oregon Alliance for child advocacy – INFORMATIONAL MEETING

013 Mary Monnat President, Oregon Alliance for Child Advocacy. Explains the Alliance and its services.

053 Janet Arenz Executive Director, Oregon Alliance for Child Advocacy. Submits and reviews written testimony on child advocacy (**exhibit a**). Introduces Clark Luster, explaining his background and work.

080 Clark Luster President and CEO, Kansas Children's Service League. Relates his experience that children's issues cross party lines. Discusses his experiences in Kansas, stating desperation combined with strong leadership provokes change. Notes large, tripled increase in adoptions with a dissolution rate of less than two percent compared to twelve percent nationally.

175 Chair Dalto Inquires why adoptions fall apart.

176 Luster Reports there are many possibilities, noting the average age of adopted children is eleven years old, sibling groups need to be kept together, sometimes there is a poor match, families dissolve, people don't understand the challenges and commitment, etc. Reports Kansas case workers now provide 24-hour responses and foster parents are paid at a rate double the previous amount. Comments one critical outcome is kids are no longer in mental health programs and group homes, but are in foster care and are adopted.

224 Chair Dalto Questions how much the amount paid to foster families influences the outcomes.

230 Luster States people do this type of work because of their heart. Notes the goal is to pay enough money that the foster parents don't want to walk away when things get tough. Reports paying a foster parent costs less than a treatment program and allows children to remain connected to their daily lives. Discusses structure of the Kansas system, noting costs were not reduced, but they have better outcomes. Relates the mechanics of the Kansas process and creative components that have been introduced into the system to move children toward permanency. Explains the system is designed around achieving outcomes, and explains how the contractor's rate is reduced based on how long it takes for a child to be released from the system. Discusses the portrait gallery the League moves around the state to motivate people to consider adoption.

403 Rep. Butler Asks if Kansas was the first state to enter into a pilot program with federal funds.

425 Luster States he is unsure.

435 Rep. Butler Asks about medical provisions for special needs children in foster care.

437 Luster Responds each child has a Medicaid card, the Department of Education takes care of special education, and mental health costs and in-patient residential costs will be paid by Medicaid in the future.

TAPE 72, A

003 Rep. Butler Questions whether there is a warning system if the state does not see the outcomes they are seeking from a contractor.

010 Luster Reports the contractors meet quarterly with the state and the state can take corrective action if needed.

019 Rep. Butler Inquires about therapeutic foster care.

021 Luster States the League created a model of trained families who can take tough kids and increased payment to them, intensified training, and reduced their caseworker's workload.

037 Arenz Clarifies the Alliance is not promoting a particular model, but seeking to look at ideas and pitfalls and develop reasonable expectations for

outcomes. States in Kansas the private sector assumes all the risks and must demonstrate effectiveness.

- 099 Chair Dalto Asks Luster what role methamphetamine plays in Kansas.
- 101 Luster Relates methamphetamine is a serious problem particularly in the rural areas. Elaborates on responses within their state.
- 115 Chair Dalto Requests comparison between Kansas and Oregon in terms of the number of methamphetamine-affected kids that enter the foster care system and how their needs are addressed within the League's model.
- 114 Luster Reports their program is geographical, so all problems within their area have to be addressed.
- 122 Rep. Cameron Asks what issues Florida encountered.
- 140 Luster States Florida erroneously thought they had trained people to do the work when they privatized. Notes the new, inexperienced staff created chaos, judges were brought into the process too late, and state workers remained state employees rather than becoming contractors. Changes have been made to balance the program, and state employees are doing prevention, now. Reiterates the importance of communicating with all parties early, and to ensure there is a prepared workforce.
- 170 Arenz Interjects some non-profit organizations failed as a result of this process.
- 179 Rep. Anderson Questions whether private contracts work.
- 186 Luster Believes they work in terms of outcomes, but transitions are difficult. States motivators and incentives are necessary.
- 194 Rep. Anderson Inquires regarding the categories of children that were adopted and requests a comparison to Oregon.
- 203 Luster Discusses Kansas numbers. Explains the changes the new contract will make with caseworker stability and contractor follow-up.
- 226 Arenz Provides comparison with Oregon, stating she does not know the number of children facing adoption.

236	Rep. Anderson	Asks who the private adoption and foster care contractors are.
237	Arenz	Elaborates there are options through the juvenile justice system, and Department of Human Services (DHS). Mentions three agencies in Portland that have private foster care beds.
247	Rep. Greenlick	Inquires how much money was added to the Kansas system by caseworkers handling both child protective services and adoption.
257	Luster	Replies the state-side staff has been reduced by attrition and re-directed toward prevention, but he is unsure of the dollars.
270	Rep. Greenlick	Requests an idea of the magnitude of dollars.
275	Luster	States Kansas has \$125 million in total contracts. Elaborates.
281	Rep. Greenlick	Asks if Oregon could provide a more effective adoption model if they found that much money.
298	Arenz	Lists other services Kansas also provides to children.
323	Chair Dalto	Closes the informational meeting on Oregon Alliance for Child Advocacy. Opens the public hearing on HB 2640.

hb 2640 – PUBLIC HEARING

329	Sandy Thiele-Cirka	Administrator. Summarizes HB 2640.
340	Bruce Bishop	Oregon Association of Treatment Centers (OATC). Submits and reviews written testimony in support of HB 2640 (exhibit b), noting it will treat residential and day treatment providers alike with respect to accessing liability insurance.
373	Rep. Tomei	Requests clarification of the existing situation.
376	Bishop	Explains it would allow them to join a pool to access lower cost coverage.
385	Chair Dalto	

Reports there is no known opposition to this bill, and the committee will be seeking to remove the subsequent referral.

- 405 Larry Tang Polk Adolescent Day Treatment. Mentions the present substantial rate increases this will preclude.
- 408 Thiele-Cirka Requests clarification regarding the reference to HB 2254 on Bishop's written testimony.
- 412 Bishop Clarifies his wish to connect this testimony to the original bill, to bring continuity.
- 418 Chair Dalto Charges Bishop to seek rescindment of the referral.
- 427 Chair Dalto Closes the public hearing on HB 2640. Committee stands at ease from 9:30 a.m. to 9:45 a.m. Opens a public hearing on HB 2362.

hb 2362 – PUBLIC HEARING

- 455 Bob Joondeph Executive Director, Oregon Advocacy Center. Submits and reviews written testimony in support of HB 2362 (**exhibit c**).

TAPE 71, B

- 002 Joondeph Continues testimony. States the goal is to develop a task force to review how funding and resources can be redesigned with integration for greater efficiency.
- 026 Mark McKechnie Social Worker, Juvenile Rights Project. Submits and reviews written testimony in support of HB 2362 (**exhibit d**). Discusses Wraparound Milwaukee. Notes the Project works with children with complicated issues, and does so with lower costs due to outcomes and the drastic reduction in hospital care. Discusses costs of three specific clients who have been institutionalized.

Committee stands at ease 9:55 to 10:05 a.m.

- 173 Rep. Greenlick States HB 2362 creates a task force, and asks the purpose in creating a task force rather than just making suggestions to change the system.

186	McKechnie	Relates the objective is to have a group design changes and complete the task, not study the problem.
208	Joondeph	Confirms need for a firm plan with support of governmental leaders.
223	Rep. Greenlick	Reiterates need for a bill that moves in a direction to improve the system.
225	McKechnie	Mentions submitted written testimony of Judge Nan Waller (exhibit e), who is also interested in developing a similar approach to Wraparound Milwaukee.
275	Rep. Boone	Requests explanation of the Wraparound program.
277	McKechnie	Explains the program and the incentives to provide preventive services earlier.
295	Jim Russell	Director, Mid-Valley Behavioral Care Network (BCN). Testifies in support of HB 2362. Notes need of collaboration and removal of barriers.
334	Rep. Greenlick	Requests an explanation of what the coordinated plan will look like.
368	McKechnie	Notes the pooled fund in Minnesota and the need to borrow benchmarks from other states on how to coordinate services and funding effectively.
408	Rep. Butler	Asks if there is a state with an effective model Oregon can borrow while the study is being conducted.
418	McKechnie	Replies each state is unique in how they address these issues and some models could not be adapted to Oregon.
445	Joondeph	Discusses statutory structures of other states, and need to obtain buy-in from agencies involved.

TAPE 72, B

003	Rep. Butler	Asserts if Oregon's statutory structure is not designed to accomplish the job, changes need to be made.
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- 028 Rep. Anderson Reads into record a recommendation by George Longden (**exhibit F**).
- 054 Madeline Olson Assistant Administrator, Office of Mental Health & Addiction Services (OMHAS), Department of Human Services (DHS). Submits and reviews written testimony on HB 2362 (**exhibit g**), noting concern regarding the necessary funding for staff to implement the requirements. Because of the intricacies of funding and the federal strings attached, the Director would need additional staff expertise.
- 112 Kristen Anderson Parent of mentally ill child. Submits and reviews written testimony in support of HB 2362 (**exhibit h**). Relates mental health issues of her nine-year-old son. Notes the costs to the community and that lack of coordination of services prevents her son from receiving the services he needs. Recommends the bill be amended to design coordination rather than study the issue.
- 161 Jimmy Boyer Uncle of mentally ill youth. Reads testimony of mentally ill niece and her experiences (**exhibit i**). Supports HB 2362.
- 237 David Hitt Brother of mentally ill adult. Submits and reviews written testimony in support of HB 2362 (**exhibit j**). Shares story of personal and family recovery following drug use and loss of parental rights. Notes the people who helped them through recovery. Relates the experience of his mentally ill brother who has been in and out of the mental health system with no coordination of treatment, no continuing team and no structure.
- 358 Bruce Bishop Oregon Association of Treatment Centers. Testifies in support of HB 2362. Recommends an amendment.
- 416 Angela Kimball Parent of mentally ill child. Submits and reviews written testimony in support of HB 2362 (**exhibit k**). Relates personal experiences.
- 446 Jeanne Schultz Director, Oregon Family Support Network. Submits and reviews written testimony in support of HB 2362 (**exhibit l**). Lists valuable outcomes of streamlining.

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- 015 Chris Krenk President and CEO Albertina Kerr Centers. Submits and reviews written testimony in support of HB 2362 (**exhibit m**). Elaborates on the possible outcomes of the task force.

056	Janet Urton	Parent of mentally ill children. Submits and reviews written testimony in support of HB 2362 (exhibit n). Notes her experiences as a parent of mentally ill children and an educator.
075	Chair Dalto	Inquires how HB 2362 will further coordination of services for her children.
082	Urton	States the bill would allow creation of a blueprint for action that allows flexibility of funding and programming.
105	Jessica Stevens	Service Employees International Union (SEIU). Testifies in support of HB 2362. Recommends a representative of employees be included in the task force. Addresses Rep. Butler's earlier question about the intervening 18-month period. Discusses concept of funding following children rather than individualized contracts.
125	Randy Franke	Coalition of County Children and Families Commissions. Testifies coalition has not taken a position on HB 2362. Recommends legislative team makeup. Notes there is no coalition member on the committee in the bill.
165	Chair Dalto	Closes the public hearing on HB 2362. Adjourns the meeting at 11:00 a.m.

The following prepared testimony is submitted for the records without public testimony:

Angela Kimball	Written testimony from Catherine Mains in support of HB 2362 (exhibit o).
Angela Kimball	Written testimony from Association of Oregon Community Mental Health Programs in support of HB 2362 (exhibit p).
Janet Arenz	Written testimony in support of HB 2362 (exhibit q).

EXHIBIT SUMMARY

- A. **Oregon Alliance for Child Advocacy, written testimony, articles and reports, Janet Arenz, 10 pp**
- B. **HB 2640, written testimony, Bruce Bishop, 1 p**
- C. **HB 2362, written testimony, Bob Joondeph, 2 pp**
- D. **HB 2362, written testimony, Mark McKechnie, 5 pp**
- E. **HB 2362, written testimony of Judge Nan Waller, Mark McKechnie, 3 pp**
- F. **HB 2362, email testimony of George Longden, Rep. Gordon Anderson, 1 p**
- G. **HB 2362, written testimony, Madeline Olson, 2 pp**
- H. **HB 2362, written testimony, Kristen Anderson, 2 pp**
 - I. **HB 2362, written testimony of his niece, James Boyer, 1 p**
 - J. **HB 2362, written testimony David Hitt, 2 pp**
- K. **HB 2362, written testimony, Angela Kimball, 2 pp**
- L. **HB 2362, written testimony, Jeanne Schultz, 1 p**
- M. **HB 2362, position paper of Children's Array of Psychiatric Programs, Chris Krenk, 2 pp**
- N. **HB 2362, written testimony, Janet Urton, 2 pp**

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- O. **HB 2362, written testimony of Catherine Mains in support, Angela Kimball, 1 p**
- P. **HB 2362, written testimony of Association of Oregon Community Mental Health Programs in support, Angela Kimball, 1 p**
- Q. **HB 2362, written testimony, Janet Arenz, 1 p**