

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON
HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

April 09, 2005 Baker City School District 5J

3:00 P.M. Tapes 85 - 88

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

Rep. Tom Butler, Vice-Chair

Rep. Carolyn Tomei, Vice-Chair (via teleconference)

Rep. Deborah Boone

Rep. Kevin Cameron

Rep. Mitch Greenlick

MEMBERS EXCUSED: **Rep. Gordon Anderson**

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

Pamella Andersen, Committee Assistant

MEASURES/ISSUES HEARD:

HB 3422 – Public Hearing

HB 2514 – Public Hearing and Work Session

HB 2787 – Public Hearing and Work Session

HB 3348 – Public Hearing and Work Session

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TAPE/#	Speaker	Comments
TAPE 85, A		
004	Chair Dalto	Calls the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m. Thanks the county for hosting the meeting and Rep. Butler for encouraging the committee to visit eastern Oregon. Introduces the committee. Discusses the meeting agenda, and notes the record will be kept open for later submission of testimony. Opens a public hearing on HB 3422.

hb 3422 – PUBLIC HEARING

065	Sandy Thiele-Cirka	Administrator. Explains HB 3422.
080	Rep. Deborah Boone	House District 32. Testifies in support of HB 3422. Notes Rep. Butler's assistance in bill development. States the goal is to provide innovative ways to get more services to more clients.
105	Rep. Tom Butler	House District 60. Testifies in support of HB 3422. Discusses the loss of matching federal funds because there are no state General Funds. Notes what Kansas is doing. States he would like to see a pilot program in Oregon.
210	Kevin Campbell	Greater Oregon Behavioral Health (GOBH) and Eastern Oregon Human Services Consortium (EOHSC). Testifies in support of HB 3422 (exhibit a). Submits and reviews the Regional 3024 Service Plan developed as a result of a bill passed in the 2003 session. Discusses matching fund possibilities. Notes the largest group to benefit would be children of Oregon Health Plan (OHP) families who have a below-the-line diagnosis.
324	Rep. Greenlick	Discusses restrictions on use of local funds. Asks how this bill will help providers around those restrictions.
341	Campbell	Replies rural governments are not inclined to send money to Salem and expect it to return. The pilot is intended to explore the possibilities. Discusses government-to-government funding.
414	Rep. Butler	Comments Oregon state government requires a culture change to understand the hearts and minds of the rural Oregonian and the pilot program could initiate that change.

- 441 Chair Dalto Includes written testimony from Bob Nikkel, Office of Mental Health and Addiction Services (OMHAS) in support of the bill as part of the official record (**exhibit b**).
- 462 Rep. Butler Asks about the amendment language recommended by Nikkel.
- 463 Rep. Greenlick Questions Nikkel's statement a statute isn't required for certain provisions.

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- 020 Dwight Dill GOBH, EOHSC. Testifies in support of HB 3422. Discusses funding received and the value of matching.
- 068 Rep. Greenlick Requests example of mental health below-the-line diagnosis that progresses to another level.
- 077 Dill Gives example of situational depression.
- 084 Bart Murray Director, New Directions Northwest, GOBH. Submits and reviews written testimony in support of HB 3422 (**exhibit c**). Discusses service needs in eastern Oregon. Gives examples of clients in their program. Suggests Nikkel be asked what obstacles prevent the bill from being effective.
- 169 Rep. Boone Thanks participants for coming to testify and hear this bill.
- 180 Chair Dalto Thanks Bart Murray for the refreshments prepared by his treatment center clients.
- 188 Rep. Cameron Questions costs today compared to 1999.
- 194 Murray Responds he does not have that information. Notes the changes since the previous study that would impact costs, which he believes would be greater now.
- 212 Rep. Cameron Inquires about the cost per bed, per year.
- 214 Murray Reports there is a long waiting list for youth in Oregon. Elaborates on the difficulties in funding children's programs.

- 264 Rep. Greenlick Asks about the job seeker research project.
- 268 Murray Explains their work with the job seekers program. Relates successes of the program.
- 300 Rep. Greenlick Comments how innovative treatment groups are and hopes this will bring evidenced-based treatment.
- 329 Chair Dalto Closes the public hearing on HB 3422. Opens a public hearing on HB 2514.

hb 2514 – PUBLIC HEARING

- 339 Sandy Thiele-Cirka Administrator. Summarizes HB 2514.
- 349 Rep. Tom Butler House District 60. Testifies in support of HB 2514. Discusses provisions of the bill for psychologists in rural Oregon.
- 421 Damiana Merryweather Oregon Psychological Association (OPA). Explains the purpose of the bill. Notes many will not be able to benefit from the full \$5000 credit, as they do so much pro bono work. States implementation date has been delayed due to Rep. Butler's recommendation.

TAPE 85, B

- 007 Rep. Butler Questions past indexing and rollup.
- 009 Merryweather Confirms there has been none since 1982.
- 010 Linda Mesteth Parent of mentally ill child. Testifies in support of HB 2514. Discusses son with ADHD and obsessive-compulsive disorder and the treatments she pursued. Notes cancellations of treatment and fears for her son. States mental health issues must be managed throughout a lifetime. Explains how she was able to pay for psychiatric treatments through the county juvenile justice system.
- 077 Rep. Tomei Asks if health insurance should cover mental as well as other health issues.
- 081 Mesteth Responds, yes, as mental health conditions are lifelong.

090	Rep. Boone	Inquires whether this credit would benefit Mesteth's psychologist friend.
092	Mesteth	Responds yes.
100	Rep. Boone	Questions whether the credit might help attract others to practice in this area.
103	Mesteth	Confirms, yes.
104	Merryweather	Elaborates on this specific doctor. Notes he was willing to overpay to secure help.
118	Mesteth	Mentions testing doesn't exist unless you see a psychologist or psychiatrist.
133	Jeff Clausel	Clinical psychologist. Testifies in support of HB 2514. Discusses his experience when going to graduate school in Wyoming which has specialized training in rural health. Relates no one wants to practice rurally any more, because it is a demanding lifestyle choice. Notes in rural areas practitioners are immediately placed in supervisory positions due to the demands. Relates specific case of client with anxiety disorder who was helped by his advanced training. Notes the specializations that are needed and hard to find.
247	Rep. Butler	Requests Clausel testify on a piece of legislation related to expanding psychologist training to certify them to administer psychotropic drugs.
268	Clausel	Relates the need for such a possibility. Provides statistics on the reduction in number of interns wanting to move into psychiatry.
313	Rep. Butler	Asks if Clausel's associate would be interested in such an opportunity.
314	Clausel	Responds, yes.
355	Rep. Greenlick	Mentions the psychology profession paid more in the 1960's, and other medical options pay much more.
373	Clausel	States people are also terrified of losing their private time.

380 Chair Dalto Closes the public hearing on HB 2514. Opens a public hearing on HB 2787 and HB 3348.

hb 2787 and HB 3348 – PUBLIC HEARING

385 Sandy Thiele-Cirka Administrator. Summarizes HB 2787 and HB 3348. Mentions written testimony received from Tom Holt in support of both bills (**exhibit d**) and (**exhibit e**).

412 Rep. Tom Butler House District 60. Testifies in support of HB 2787 and HB 3348. Explains details of the bills. Mentions footnote to the bills.

TAPE 86, b

005 Rep. Butler Continues testimony. Details the financial benefits of a state income tax credit.

055 Heather Riggs Blue Mountain Volunteer Ambulance Service. Testifies in support of HB 2787. Relates the size of their territory is 4750 square miles. Explains the process of responding to crises. Notes the time required for responses to far locations both for EMTs, police and fire responders. Relates HB 2787 would be an incentive for others to enlist as volunteers. Mentions specific case to which they responded and the time it consumed. Discusses time required to travel to receive continuing training, and recertification costs.

165 Todd Evans Wallowa County Emergency Management Service (EMS). Testifies in support of HB 2787. Relates specifics of his work and the challenges. Mentions they must function at the wide end of the scope of practice as Emergency Management Technicians (EMTs) as few paramedics exist in this area. Explains what the bill would accomplish for him. Notes he pays for all his equipment and uniforms.

270 Rep. Greenlick Asks Rep. Butler the details of the fiscal impact.

284 Rep. Butler Notes there are a number of bills in the Revenue Committee addressing this topic. Discusses variations of impacts.

353 Rep. Boone Relates personal experience working with volunteer fire department, and difficulty finding replacements.

- 401 Rep. Butler Notes most people would not benefit from the full credit as they are not earning enough money.
- 426 Chuck Hofmann Mayor of Baker City, Oregon Medical Association. Submits and reviews written testimony in support of HB 3348 (**EXHIBIT F**). Relates rural Oregon offers more work with less pay, which has resulted less physicians. Explains why and recommends changes.

TAPE 87, a

- 005 Hofmann Continues testimony. Mentions Sen. Ringo's medical liability work group, noting practice costs have gone up and reimbursements have gone down.
- 033 Carl Stiff Gynecologist. Testifies in support of HB 3348. Relates he will be closing his office this summer because he is unable to cover his liability insurance costs. Relates the hospital is hurt when there are no doctors practicing in the area and patients are going to other hospitals. Reports his income last year. Notes his work as Medical Director for several different organizations.
- 117 Rep. Butler Commends Dr. Stiff and Dr. Hofmann for all their work for the community. Comments liability insurance costs putting doctors out of work in rural Oregon.
- 171 Rep. Cameron Notes the birthing center in the hospital seen today. Requests numbers on liability insurance costs today compared to ten years ago.
- 180 Stiff Shares liability insurance costs ranging from \$228 in his first year of practice, to about \$135,000 projected for next year. Delineates the cost-per-procedure and how many procedures he performed.
- 215 Rep. Butler Discusses mathematical details of the costs per baby.
- 232 Hofmann Confirms the numbers are accurate. Elaborates.
- 254 Rep. Greenlick Notes conversation with the matriarch of a pharmacy family in Heppner and the difficulty they are having maintaining their business.
- 272 Chair Dalto Mentions necessity to avoid overloading the bill with so many credits.

282	Rep. Greenlick	States need to discover other, more direct ways to encourage people to work in rural areas.
287	Stiff	Expands on the difficulties of acquiring ancillary medical professionals, noting school debts and desire for family time as key issues.
308	Rep. Greenlick	Recommends review of the rural health care problem be an interim committee project.
339	B.J. Lynch	Baker City Fire Department. Testifies in support of HB 2787. Relates high turnover of paramedics in Baker City due to competition from the valley. Discusses number of tests they had to take in a year.
398	Rep. Boone	Inquires how many people work at the fire department and their ages.
402	Lynch	Lists the full paid and volunteer staff and their ages. Offers a tour of their facilities.
439	Scott Ekblad	Office of Rural Health, Oregon Health and Science University (OHSU). Submits and reviews written testimony in support of HB 2787 (exhibit G).

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008	Ekblad	Continues testimony. Reviews survey of rural agencies. Discusses training and certification costs which include travel costs. Relates difficulties in recruiting and retaining providers and the reasons. Notes the value of first responders who are not included in the bill. Recommends an amendment to the bill that includes first responders.
080	Rep. Boone	Asks why first responders can't be monitored by the state if they are certified.
082	Ekblad	Replies they will not be certified until next year. Testifies in support of HB 3348 (exhibit H). Compares differences in rural health income levels throughout the U.S. Economics are the best way to draw physicians to rural areas. Notes apparent statewide physician shortage. Comments Oregon has the second lowest Medicare reimbursement in the nation.
175	Rep. Greenlick	Requests total revenue impact figures.

- 178 Ekblad States his office has not calculated the impact of the change, as it is difficult to know how many people would be able to take advantage of the credit.
- 190 Sandy Ryman Director, Northeast Oregon Area Health Education Center (AHEC). Submits and reviews written testimony in support of HB 2787 (**exhibit I**), discussing the history of the bill, recruitment and retention issues.
- 260 Mildred Shold Volunteer EMT. Testifies in support of HB 2787. Mentions the value of V-Tel (video/computer) training in rural areas.
- 304 Clifford Duvall EMT, Eagle Valley Ambulance Association. Relates EMT staffing situation in their area. Provides specific incident they responded to where they had to go to various towns in order to meet the need of the patient.
- 399 Chair Dalto Closes the public hearing on HB 2787 and HB 3348. Opens a work session on HB 2514, HB 2787 and HB 3348.

hb 2514, HB 2787 and HB 3348 – work session

- 418 Rep. Cameron **MOTION: Moves HB 2514, HB 2787 and HB 3348 to the floor with a DO PASS recommendation and BE REFERRED to the committee on Revenue by prior reference.**
- 422 **VOTE: 5-0-2**
- EXCUSED: 2 – Anderson, Tomei**
- Chair Dalto **Hearing no objection, declares the motion CARRIED.**
- 457 Chair Dalto Closes the work session on HB 2514, HB 2787 and HB 3348. Adjourns the meeting at 6:00 p.m.

EXHIBIT SUMMARY

- A. HB 3422, Eastern Oregon Human Services Consortium Regional 3024 Service Plan Draft, Kevin Campbell, 61 pp
- B. HB 3422, Bob Nikkel, 2 pp
- C. HB 3422, written testimony, Bart Murray, 1 p
- D. HB 2787, written testimony, Tom Holt, 4 pp
- E. HB 3348, written testimony, Tom Holt, 4 pp
- F. HB 3348, written testimony, Charles Hoffman, 5 pp
- G. HB 2787, written testimony, Scott Ekblad, 6 pp
- H. HB 3348, written testimony, Scott Ekblad, 12 pp
- I. HB 2787, written testimony, Sandy Ryman, 1 p

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 groups 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.

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- 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**).

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- 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.

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003	Rep. Butler	Asserts if Oregon's statutory structure is not designed to accomplish the job, changes need to be made.
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.

TAPE 73, a

- 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