

**HOUSE & SENATE JUDICIARY COMMITTEES**

**June 08, 2005 Hearing Room F**

**6:00 P.M. Tapes 60 - 63**

**HOUSE MEMBERS PRESENT:**

**Rep. Wayne Krieger, Chair**

**Rep. Greg Macpherson, Vice-Chair**

**Rep. Jeff Barker**

**Rep. Linda Flores**

**Rep. Bill Garrard**

**Rep. Kim Thatcher**

**Rep. Kelley Wirth**

**SENATE MEMBERS PRESENT:**

**Sen. Ginny Burdick, Chair**

**Sen. Charles Starr, Vice-Chair**

**Sen. Roger Beyer**

**Sen. Floyd Prozanski**

**Sen. Charlie Ringo**

**Sen. Vicki Walker**

**Sen. Doug Whitsett**

**MEMBERS EXCUSED:       Rep. Bob Ackerman**

**Rep. Andy Olson, Vice-Chair**

**STAFF PRESENT:** Heidi Moawad, Counsel

Joe O’Leary, Counsel

Bill Taylor, Counsel

Elizabeth Howe, Committee Assistant

**MEASURES/ISSUES HEARD:**

**HB 2485 – Public Hearing**

**SB 907 – Public Hearing**

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**TAPE/# Speaker Comments**

**TAPE 60, A**

002 Chair Burdick Calls the meeting to order at 6:10 p.m. Opens a public hearing on HB 2485 and SB 907, also known as the Meth Package.

**HB 2485 & SB 907 – PUBLIC HEARING**

015 Sen. Betsy Johnson Senate District 16. Reads testimony of her constituents affected by methamphetamine (meth) **(EXHIBIT A)**.

055 Rep. Brain Boquist House District 23. Testifies in support of a solution to fight meth. Submits letter from Ron Saxton **(EXHIBIT B)**.

083 Heidi Moawad Counsel. Provides background on HB 2485 and SB 907. Introduces the HB 2485 -2 amendments **(EXHIBIT C)** and SB 907 -3 amendments **(EXHIBIT D)**.

132 Moawad Continues explanation of the amendments.

188 Craig Campbell

Governor's Office. Testifies in support of the meth package. Offers a presentation on how the brain reacts to meth and effective treatment **(EXHIBIT E)**.

277 Campbell Explains how the body reacts to meth compared to other activities.

384 Campbell Continues testimony on the effects of meth on the body.

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004 Campbell Continues testimony on the addictive aspects of meth.

070 Campbell Continues testimony on "withdrawl" and approaches to treatment.

142 Chair Burdick Inquires how much time it takes for someone to be away from the drug before they are able to experience normal pleasure.

147 Campbell Responds anywhere from three or four weeks to four or more months.

162 Walt Myers Former Salem Police Chief, Chair of Meth Task Force. Provides information on community damages due to meth.

203 Myers Relates findings of Meth Task Force.

259 Myers Continues to relate findings of the Meth Task Force, and focuses on the children impacted by meth.

285 Anna Peterson Chair and Founder of No Meth – Not in MY Neighborhood. Testifies in support of the Meth Package. Relates the results of the work of the Meth Task Force.

355 Peterson Continues testimony on determinations of the Meth Task Force.

**TAPE 60, B**

017 Peterson Describes her personal experience seeing the damages of meth on homes, families, children, and businesses.

026 Chair Krieger

		Inquires about the mindset of law enforcement for providing treatment verses incarceration only.
033	Myers	Addresses the benefits and necessity of treatment to stop meth.
108	Sen. Walker	Inquires about Washington State's decision not to provide welfare to convicted drug offenders.
116	Myers	Explains that the majority of meth offenders are on welfare, and that the federal government allows the legislature in each state to decide whether or not to provide welfare benefits to convicted drug offenders.
149	Sen. Walker	Expresses concern about Washington State's decision. Wonders how many other states are pushing Oregon to make that decision.
155	Myers	Responds that he is not suggesting the idea. States that he has not researched other states' decisions regarding welfare.
167	Whitsett	Inquires how Oregon can stop the flow of meth across international borders.
173	Myers	Describes steps to hinder the flow of meth across borders. Suggests further steps to stop meth production from international products.
207	Rep. Barker	Inquires about what to do about the Mexican nationals trafficking meth.
215	Myers	Responds that Mexican nationals are not as likely to use meth, only to traffic it.
219	Sen. Whitsett	Inquires if civil forfeiture laws would help fund interdiction.
224	Myers	Believes civil forfeiture would boost law enforcement to fight the drug.
233	Rep. Macpherson	Comments on the policy choice to fight manufacturing that is here, rather than fight the trafficking.
245	Myers	

Suggests that the production will increase by the large production runs.

- 267 Rep. Garrard Inquires how much meth costs on the street.
- 270 Myers States price of the drug and amount of a dose.
- 283 Judge Darryl Larson Lane County Circuit Court Drugs. Describes drug courts.
- 346 Larson Continues description of drug courts, and the problems in the process.

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- 004 Larson Continues to explain the benefits and results of drug courts.
- 080 Larson Relates that research shows traditional criminal justice is not working. Emphasizes the importance of drug courts.
- 150 Chair Burdick Comments on her experience watching drug court proceedings. Offers assurance that drug courts will be encouraged by the legislature.
- 158 Sen. Walker Recognizes Judge Larson for his work implementing drug courts.
- 179 Larson Adds that he believes Washington has reversed their decision to hold welfare money from drug offenders.
- 190 Rep. Flores Questions protocols in drug courts regarding jobs for offenders and the difficulties getting jobs.
- 198 Larson Responds that many Lane County offenders are able to be employed by manufactured housing companies. Addresses required drug testing.
- 213 Rep. Flores Inquires if the court is proactive communicating with businesses in the area to employ drug offenders.
- 219 Larson Explains that most offenders must tell their employers about their involvement in drug court, and that businesses have responded well to the program.

239 Alan Evans Thugz Off Drugz. Shows PowerPoint presentation with video. Submits written testimony (**EXHIBIT F**) and newspaper (**EXHIBIT G**).

341 Evans Continues PowerPoint presentation on Thugz Off Drugz.

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003 Evans Continues description of the effects and benefits of the Thugz Off Drugs program, which has reduced crime and drug use.

024 Carly King Recovery Association Project. Explains her personal experience as a meth addict and her success overcoming addiction through drug court.

063 Linda Poland Recovery Association Project. Explains her experience as a meth addict, her in-patient drug treatment at the Department of Human Services, and her success overcoming addiction in treatment.

087 Susan Doney Recovery Association Project. Explains her personal experience as a meth addict, and relates her success overcoming addiction through drug courts.

108 Harlon Tod Recovery Association Project. Explains his personal experience as a meth addict, and relates his success overcoming addiction through treatment in prison.

148 Bill Toland Recovery Association Project, Organizer/Recovery Coach. Explains his personal experience as a meth addict, and relates his success overcoming addiction through treatment after prison. Emphasizes the importance of transitional housing and treatment.

201 Jody Cupps Recovery Association Project. Explains her personal experience as a cocaine addict, and her success overcoming addiction through Marion County Adult Drug Treatment.

253 Walt Beglau Oregon District Attorneys Association (ODAA). Testifies in support of the Meth Package. Addresses the enforcement piece of the meth fight.

300 Beglau Emphasizes the desperation in Oregon to save children from the horrors of meth.

- 354 Mark McDonnell Senior Deputy District Attorney, Multnomah County. Submits written testimony (**EXHIBIT H**) and testifies in support of the Meth Package. Discusses how they can impact the meth labs in Oregon by sending the “cooks” to prison.
- 430 McDonald Notes the heavy caseload of drug cases in Multnomah County.
- 444 Katie Suver Marion County District Attorney’s Office. Notes concern with definition of new category of drug offender – delivering or manufacturing at least 30 grams of methamphetamine.

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- 027 Sen. Walker Inquires which bill Ms. Suver is speaking to.
- 030 Suver States that she is speaking to SB 907. Expresses concern with the fiscal impact of the bill, which could require quantitative analysis to determine quantity of meth that a lab is capable of producing.
- 080 Suver Suggests amending SB 907 to make all meth manufacturing a crime seriousness eight.
- 086 Sen. Ringo Inquires about the reasoning behind light sentencing.
- 095 Moawad Responds that SB 907 directs the Criminal Justice Commission to raise offense to level six when it involves cooking meth. Explains details of sentencing. Explains decision to set sentence at 19 months with alternative incarceration programs, rather than mandatory minimums.
- 133 Sen. Ringo Questions distinction between meth cooking and meth packaging. Responds to concerns that overall sentencing is not strict enough. Addresses need to treat users, but need to incarcerate manufacturers.
- 147 McDonald Comments on the seriousness of a level six sentence. Clarifies that ODAA did not request mandatory minimum sentences.
- 165 Suver Addresses crime seriousness of manufacturing.
- 196 Rep. Wirth Asks why the impact is greater on children than adults.

200	McDonald	Mentions the Jewish National Center studies that show the effects on children in meth houses. States that the impact is greater on children because they are smaller and still developing.
223	Rep. Wirth	Wonders why meth affects children more than any other drug.
231	McDonald	Describes the atmosphere and culture where meth is used and manufactured.
242	Rep. Wirth	Comments on the number of female users, particularly younger women. Inquires about targeting the female population, and therefore the kids.
258	McDonald	Describes the programs that have targeted women and children.
277	Beglau	Explains the alignment of social services, the private sector, and other efforts to focus on the children.
287	Sen. Walker	Questions the federal government's role in incarcerating meth offenders.
299	Suver	Relates a recent case involving a super lab in Oregon that was prosecuted federally. Explains that the federal government intercedes in higher end dealing and manufacturing.
341	McDonald	Explains that there are not enough resources to send many deputy district attorneys to prosecute federal cases.
365	Rep. Garrard	Comments that he has concerns about light sentencing in SB 907.
373	Sen. Walker	Relates that the federal government has higher sentences, which would be more effective incarcerating manufacturers.
382	Chair Burdick	Comments on cost of higher sentencing. Inquires about the help from civil forfeiture.
397	McDonald	States that more deputy district attorneys would be funded by civil forfeiture.



014	Chair Burdick	Addresses issue of the courts throwing out civil forfeiture.
017	McDonald	Explains that funding before Measure 3 paid for more deputy district attorneys.
023	Rep. Macpherson	Addresses issue of sentencing. Inquires what ODAA would suggest.
032	McDonald	States that the cook should not get two chances, and should serve the higher sentence on the first conviction.
067	Karen Wheeler	Addictions Policy and Program Development Manager, Office of Mental Health and Addiction Services. Submits written testimony <b>(EXHIBIT I)</b> and testifies in support of HB 2485. Describes support of drug courts. Recommends amendment to integrate mental health treatment.
095	David Rogers	Associate Director, Western Prison Project (WPP). Submits written testimony <b>(EXHIBIT J)</b> and testifies in support of HB 2485, particularly drug courts. Expresses concern about the dollar amount of funding for drug courts, and the issue of food stamps.
145	Rep. Barker	Asks whether WPP would support a 19 month sentence for first time meth cooks.
150	Rogers	Encourages the members to look at the fiscal impact and projections for increased prison and jail population by increasing sentencing.
164	Chair Krieger	Closes public hearing on HB 2485 and SB 907. Announces hearing tomorrow, June 9, 2005 at 1:00 p.m. Adjourns the meeting at 9:15 p.m.

### **EXHIBIT SUMMARY**

- A. **HB 2485 & SB 907, written testimony, Sen. Betsy Johnson, 7 pp**
- B. **HB 2485 & SB 907, written testimony of Ron Saxton, Rep. Brian Boquist, 1 p**
- C. **HB 2485, -2 amendments, staff, 28 pp**
- D. **SB 907, -3 amendments, staff, 66 pp**

- E. Meth, presentation materials, Craig Campbell, 14 pp
- F. Meth, presentation materials, Alan Evans, 23 pp
- G. Meth, newspaper, Alan Evans, 12 pp
- H. HB 2485 & SB 907, written testimony, Mark McDonnell, 2 pp
  - I. HB 2485, written testimony, Karen Wheeler, 2 pp
  - J. HB 2485, written testimony, David Rogers, 1 p

**HOUSE COMMITTEE ON**  
**INFORMATION MANAGEMENT AND TECHNOLOGY**

March 15, 2005 Hearing Room 357

1:00 P.M. Tapes 25 - 26

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Rep. John Dallum, Chair

Rep. Jerry Krummel, Vice-Chair

Rep. Kelley Wirth, Vice-Chair

Rep. Chuck Burley

Rep. Brad Witt

**STAFF PRESENT:** Dallas Weyand, Committee Administrator

Louann Rahmig, Committee Assistant

**MEASURES/ISSUES HEARD:**

**High Performance Computing Briefing – Informational Meeting**

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<b>TAPE/#</b>	<b>Speaker</b>	<b>Comments</b>
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**TAPE 25, A**

003 Chair Dallum Calls the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. Introduces the high school students from Mitchell, Oregon, attending the committee meeting as guests. Opens the informational meeting on high performance computing briefing.

**HIGH PERFORMANCE COMPUTING BRIEFING – INFORMATIONAL MEETING**

015 Brian Wornath LCN Media & Consulting Group. Announces that he represents the Oregon High Performance Computing Consortium. Distributes hard copy of *General Proposal for Establishing an Oregon High Performance Computing Infrastructure* PowerPoint presentation (**EXHIBIT A**). Begins the presentation with an overview and the goals of developing a supercomputing resource in Oregon.

055 Wornath Provides an explanation of supercomputing and who would use it.

074 Wornath Describes the old-style, traditional, single-purpose computer called a “monolith.”

088 Wornath Discusses types of supercomputers. Refers to case studies in **EXHIBIT A, Page 14**.

117 Wornath Discusses how much unused computing time is available after regular office hours, creating an affordable and powerful computing “grid.”

149 Wornath Continues with justification to develop affordable high performance computing resources within Oregon.

184 Wornath Proposes to create a state resource that markets the unused capacity and the accompanying consulting services, offering “one-stop shopping” for high-performance computing.

216 Wornath Outlines sources for general initial capitalization. States that earnings from operations would come from leasing affordable high-performance computing time.

237 Wornath Shows comparison of estimated financial scenarios (**EXHIBIT A**).

313 Wornath

Discusses the percentage of return and cost per year of operating a computer grid.

381 Wornath Suggests implementing a pilot project to determine the best technical solution. Displays the estimated pilot profitability.

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019 Wornath Discusses a possible organizational structure similar to an Oregon high-performance computing consortium. Continues with explanation of challenges.

069 Wornath Has spoken with Chief Information Officers around the state, who believe the concept is good.

083 Wornath Summarizes by stating that the technology is proven, can easily be applied to numerous applications and uses, and is easily expandable.

121 Chair Dallum Asks about the “down side.”

125 Wornath Responds that information technology people will say this is a very specialized area. Believes that ideally the universities and the state would co-develop a pilot program.

148 Chair Dallum Inquires if this concept is attractive to private enterprise.

155 Wornath Replies, it is. Continues that there are certain niches that don't have the financial resources to take on a project such as this. Cites examples of researchers who believe they can use.

192 Chair Dallum Asks what proposed legislation should look like.

196 Wornath Answers that funding for a pilot project could be requested.

227 Rep. Burley Inquires what is preventing us from using this now.

233 Wornath Responds, nothing. Indicates from a financial standpoint, it is best to consolidate and not have many small clusters.

261 Rep. Burley

Refers to the case studies in **EXHIBIT A** that were mostly done by private corporations. Comments that if we were going to use public resources, that is a different set of circumstances particularly since we are concerned with security issues.

- 270 Wornath Agrees. Offers to provide more up-to-date information. Reports on other states that are doing this for economic development.
- 313 Rep. Burley States that the corporate environment is more controlled than ours as we have computers all across the state. Asks how we would insure security.
- 323 Wornath Agrees that some environments are better suited than others.
- 329 Rep. Krummel Asks if setting something like this up in the new data center might generate the dollars to pay for it.
- 338 Wornath Replies, absolutely. Reports that high performance computing is being done on a limited basis at the Oregon State University Oceanic School.
- 404 Rep. Krummel Asks if there have been discussions with the Department of Administrative Services (DAS) or other privately owned data centers to see if there is an interest.
- 416 Wornath Has spoken with DAS and some small companies affiliated with academics.
- 439 Rep. Witt Inquires if one has to be a participant in the network to be able to utilize supercomputing capacity.

**TAPE 25,  
B**

- 011 Wornath Responds, yes, for security reasons. States that the criteria needs to be identified in the business model.
- 020 Rep. Witt Asks if he is aware of any claims in other states that there is not equal access.
- 025 Wornath Answers that he has not heard of any.

027	Rep. Wirth	Inquires if anyone has expressed an interest in helping finance a pilot study.
032	Wornath	Replies, absolutely.
038	Rep. Wirth	Asks how much private money might be available.
046	Wornath	Replies that there is interest, and some medical schools are trying to lure grants. Believes discussions with interested parties to determine how much money is available would be needed.
069	Rep. Wirth	Inquires if other states have included some public financing, and how far along they are in the process.
077	Wornath	Answers, it varies.
089	Wanda Brennan	High School Science Teacher, Mitchell, Oregon. Cites problems of areas with limited internet access. Asks how high-performance computing will benefit them.
096	Wornath	Responds that not all rural areas will receive the same amount of benefit; however, areas with community colleges perhaps can provide access.
140	Chair Dallum	Closes the informational meeting on high performance computing and adjourns the meeting at 2:08 p.m.

## **EXHIBIT SUMMARY**

- A. High Performance Computing Infrastructure, General Proposal for Establishing, printed copy of PowerPoint presentation, Brian Wornath, 67 pp**