

**FIELD TRIP**

**HOUSE REVENUE COMMITTEE**

**APRIL 1, 2005 12:30 PM URBAN RENEWAL TOUR, SALEM OR**

Members:

- Rep. Vicki Berger, Vice-Chair
- Rep. Brian Boquist
- Rep. Sal Esquivel
- Rep. Mark Hass
- Rep. Betty Komp
- Rep. Andy Olson

Members Excused:

- Rep. Tom Butler, Chair
- Rep. Larry Galizio
- Rep. Chuck Riley

Staff Present:

- Mary Ayala, Economist
- Randi Zimmer, Committee Assistant

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House Revenue Committee met in HR 50 at 12:30 p.m. to begin the Urban Renewal field trip to view urban renewal sites in Salem. Michelle Deister from the League of Oregon Cities, and Jeffrey Tashman from Tashman Johnson, LLC, gave a brief introduction about the benefits of urban renewal. The purpose of urban renewal is to improve specific areas of a city that are poorly developed. The members and staff visited two sites of such improvement, the Salem Convention Center in downtown Salem, and the Fairview Industrial Park in south Salem. In its first month of operation, the Salem Convention Center has proven to be successful in generating high-profile events. The Fairview Industrial Park is a metropolis of several new business developments that employ thousands of Oregon workers. Field trip concluded at 2:30 p.m.

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Exhibit Summary:

1. 1. Handout: Overview of Urban Renewal, Tashman, 6 pp., 04/01/05
2. 2. Handout: Oregon Urban Renewal Districts, Deister, 1 pp., 04/01/05
3. 3. Handout: Overview of the Tax Increment Financing Process, Deister, 1 pp., 04/01/05