

SENATE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION AND WORKFORCE

February 23, 2005
3:00 P.M.

Hearing Room D
Tapes 32 - 34

Corrected 10/19/05

MEMBERS PRESENT: **Sen. Vicki Walker, Chair**
 Sen. Charles Starr, Vice-Chair
 Sen. Ryan Deckert
 Sen. Jeff Kruse
 Sen. Bill Morrisette

STAFF PRESENT: **Marjorie Taylor, Committee Administrator**
 Dawn Tuso, Committee Assistant

MEASURES/ISSUES HEARD:
 SB 38 – Public Hearing
 SB 193 – Public Hearing and Work Session
 SB 364 – 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 32, A		
005	Chair Walker	Calls meeting to order at 3:09 p.m.
015	Chair Walker	Opens public hearing on SB 38.
SB 38 – PUBLIC HEARING		
016	Marjorie Taylor	Committee Administrator. Gives overview of SB 38 (EXHIBIT A). Gives overview of the -1 amendment (EXHIBIT B).
022	Chair Walker	States that everyone is signed up to testify in support of SB 38.
025	Sen. Morse	Represents Senate District 8. Testifies in opposition to SB 38 as drafted. Supports proposed -1 amendment. Submits and reads written testimony (EXHIBIT C).
125	Sen. Morse	Continues reading submitted testimony.
160	Sen. Morse	Requests an affirmative motion from the committee.
162	Chair Walker	Specifies changes addressed in the -1 amendment for SB 38.
171	Sen. Morse	Confirms the changes addressed in the -1 amendment.
172	Chair Walker	Asks for more information about the school technology account.
183	Sen. Morse	Replies that in 1999, SB 622 was passed, which formed the school technology account. Talks about the threshold for distribution.
214	Chair Walker	Asks about the money spent.
216	Sen. Morse	Replies that the fund is continuing to accumulate.
220	Chair Walker	Asks if it was used for the purpose it was designed for.
222	Sen. Morse	Replies yes.
226	Sen. Morrisette	Asks if Sen. Morse has consulted with the Quality Education Commission.
230	Sen. Morse	Replies yes. Extends credit to Susan Massey of the Quality Education Commission.
241	Sen. Deckert	Talks about a report that was just produced dealing with the same issues.
265	Sen. Morse	Responds with hope that it will be an extremely thoughtful process. Wants to look at it system wide.
287	Sen. Deckert	Asks if Sen. Morse feels that the data needed is available.
291	Sen. Morse	Responds.
315	Sen. Morrisette	Stresses the importance of looking at and using past studies.

337	Sen. Morse	Agrees.
341	Chair Walker	Alerts Sen. Morse that SB 364 is on the agenda for a public hearing today. Explains purpose of SB 364. States that the task force wants \$150,000 from the general fund. Says that there seems to be a nexus between the money wanted for SB 38 and SB 364. States that there may be discussion regarding who will get what money.
366	Sen. Kruse	Asks why we are stopping at grade 12.
370	Sen. Morse	Explains.
376	Sen. Kruse	Clarifies reasoning for question. Talks about earlier discussion of the blending of systems.
415	Susan Massey	Chair, Quality Education Commission. Testifies on SB 38.
TAPE 33, A		
010	Massey	Continues testimony.
022	Massey	Endorses Sen. Morse's recommendation that the Quality Education Commission take on this work.
035	Lynn Lundquist	President, Oregon Business Association. Testifies in support of SB 38.
055	Lundquist	Addresses Sen. Deckert's comments about the work that the Oregon Business Association is doing.
067	Sen. Deckert	Hopes that clear and distinct recommendations will be brought to the committee so that decisions can be made.
075	Lundquist	Responds, if it is not done, the goal will not be accomplished.
079	Chair Walker	Shows appreciation for the efforts. Talks about the importance of providing hope.
092	Sen. Morrisette	Says he likes the plan. Feels that the model has been established and that, by implementation of efficiencies inside the system, it will be effective. Shares support.
110	Pat Bedore	Superintendent, Greater Albany Public School District. Testifies in support of SB 38.
168	Chair Walker	Comments on the reduction of credits required for graduation.
178	Vickie Fleming	Deputy Superintendent, Department of Education. Testifies in support of SB 38.
218	Chair Walker	Thanks Vickie Fleming for serving on the Education Service District work group.
222	Pat Burk	Department of Education. Testifies in support of SB 38. Shares appreciation for Sen. Morse's efforts. Talks about model approaches. Touches on the database initiative. Discusses issues of accountability and governance. States that there is a small amount of financial support remaining of approximately \$75,000 to be assigned to three committees.
304	Chair Walker	Asks what happens if the Quality Education Commission's budget gets cut.
306	Burk	Replies that they would be severely limited.
332	Laurie Wimmer Whelan	Oregon Education Association. Testifies in support SB 38 with the -1 amendment.
360	John Marshall	Oregon School Boards Association. Testifies in support of SB 38.
390	Chair Walker	States that his point is well taken.
397	Marshall	Believes the key is involving the stakeholders.
405	Chair Walker	Agrees.
410	Chair Walker	Closes public hearing on SB 38 and opens public hearing on SB 193.
<u>SB 193 – PUBLIC HEARING</u>		
420	Matjorie Taylor	Committee Administrator. Gives overview of SB 193 (EXHIBIT D).
TAPE 32, B		
010	Lori Makinen	Director, Veterinary Medical Examining Board. Testifies in support of SB 193. Submits written testimony (EXHIBIT E).
038	Marcia Keith	Oregon Veterinary Medical Association. Testifies in support of SB 193. Submits written testimony (EXHIBIT F).
068	Chair Walker	Comments that it sounds like there are significant sideboards to ensure that students are well educated. Asks question regarding the number of

		states that do not issue veterinary licenses to graduates of Ross University.
071	Makinen	Explains.
075	Chair Walker	Clarifies that the other 48 states accept students who take the equivalency exam.
080	Chair Walker	Closes public hearing on SB 193 and opens work session on SB 193.
<u>SB 193 – WORK SESSION</u>		
083	Sen. C. Starr	MOTION: Moves SB 193 to the floor with a DO PASS recommendation.
		VOTE: 3-0-2
		EXCUSED: 2 - Sen. Deckert, Sen. Morrisette
	Chair Walker	Hearing no objection, declares the motion CARRIED.
		SEN. C. STARR will lead discussion on the floor.
090	Chair Walker	Closes work session on SB 193 and opens public hearing on SB 364 (EXHIBIT G) .
<u>SB 364 – PUBLIC HEARING</u>		
100	Sen. Schrader	Represents Senate District 20. Testifies in support of SB 364.
162	Sen. Schrader	Introduces proposed -1 amendment to SB 364 (EXHIBIT H) . Welcomes other amendments.
175	Sen. Kruse	Asks if the T-1 project was completed.
182	Sen. Schrader	Replies that it was completed.
188	Duane Bales	Legislative Director, House Majority Office. Testifies on SB 364. Mentions the -1 amendment submitted by Sen. Schrader (EXHIBIT H) .
212	Sen. C. Starr	Asks if SB 364 will go to the floor or Ways and Means.
215	Sen. Schrader	Replies Ways and Means.
218	Chair Walker	Commends Sen. Schrader.
233	Ron Dexter	Director, Current Technical Education, Concordia University. Testifies in support of SB 364. Submits written testimony (EXHIBIT I) .
321	Sen. Morrisette	States that the Sabin Skills Center is the epitome of what should be done all over the state.
327	Dexter	Stresses question of why other students across Oregon do not have the same opportunities.
350	Mary Beard	Teacher, Benson High School. Testifies in support of SB 364. Submits written testimony (EXHIBIT J) .
TAPE 33, B		
007	Jessica Hearn	Student, Benson High School. Testifies in support of SB 364. Submits written testimony (EXHIBIT K) .
064	Remi Sobomehin	Student, Benson High School. Testifies in support of SB 364. Submits written testimony (EXHIBIT L) .
136	Glen Nation	Teacher, Estacada High School. Testifies in support of SB 364. Submits written testimony (EXHIBIT M) .
198	Joe Weekly	Student, Estacada High School. Testifies in support of SB 364. Submits written testimony (EXHIBIT N) .
211	Kyle PFenning	Student, Estacada High School. Testifies in support of SB 364. Submits written testimony (EXHIBIT O) .
248	Chair Walker	Asks if they plan to go to Clackamas Community College.
250	Weekly	Replies yes.
251	PFenning	Replies yes.
253	Nation	Discusses 2 +2 articulation agreement with Clackamas Community College.
285	Kelsey Buck	Student, Sabin-Schellenberg Center. Testifies in support of SB 364. Submits written testimony (EXHIBIT P) .
367	Deborah Barnes	Teacher, Sabin-Schellenberg Center. Testifies in support of SB 364. Submits written testimony (EXHIBIT Q) .
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003	John Walker	Teacher, Sabin-Schellenberg Center. Testifies in support of SB 364.

023	Ron Munkres	Submits written testimony (EXHIBIT R). Principal, Sabin-Schellenberg Center. Testifies in support of SB 364.
080	Sen. C. Starr	Submits written testimony (EXHIBIT S). Comments on the Sabin-Schellenberg Center. Sees distance learning as a way to deliver services. Feels that more effort should be put into it as a way to deliver quality education to all students anywhere in the state.
100	Sen. Morrisette	Suggests that they use their connections with the business and industrial community.
	Lisa Zavala	Oregon University System. Testifies in support of SB 364. Submits written testimony (EXHIBIT T). Asks for an amendment to SB 364.
145	Chair Walker	Asks if the proposed amendment has been discussed with the sponsors of SB 364.
147	Zavala	Responds no.
152	Julie Suchanek	Oregon Community College Association. Testifies in support of SB 364. Submits written testimony (EXHIBIT U).
The following prepared testimony is submitted for the record without public testimony:		
158	Alan Contreras	Administrator, Office of Degree Authorization. Submits written testimony in support of SB 193 (EXHIBIT V).
162	Chair Walker	Closes the public hearing on SB 364 and adjourns the meeting at 5:19 p.m.

EXHIBIT SUMMARY

- A. **SB 38, staff, 4 pp**
- B. **SB 38, -1 amendment, staff, 3 pp**
- C. **SB 38, written testimony, Sen. Morse, 2 pp**
- D. **SB 193, staff, 3 pp**
- E. **SB 193, written testimony, Lori Makinen, 1 p**
- F. **SB 193, written testimony, Marcia Keith, 6 pp**
- G. **SB 364, staff, 3 pp**
- H. **SB 364, -1 amendment, staff, 1 p**
- I. **SB 364, written testimony, Ron Dexter, 2 pp**
- J. **SB 364, written testimony, Mary Beard, 1 p**
- K. **SB 364, written testimony, Jessica Hearn, 1 p**
- L. **SB 364, written testimony, Olaremi Sobomehim, 1 p**
- M. **SB 364, written testimony, Glen Nation, 1 p**
- N. **SB 364, written testimony, Joe Weekly, 1 p**
- O. **SB 364, written testimony, Kyle J. Pfenning, 1 p**
- P. **SB 364, written testimony, Kelsey Buck, 1 p**
- Q. **SB 364, written testimony, Deborah Barnes, 4 pp**
- R. **SB 364, written testimony, John Walker, 1 p**
- S. **SB 364, written testimony, Ron Munkres, 1 p**
- T. **SB 364, written testimony, Lisa Zavala, 1 p**
- U. **SB 364, written testimony, Julie Suchanek, 2 p**
- V. **SB 364, written testimony, Alan Contreras, 1 p**