

SENATE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION AND WORKFORCE

March 16, 2005
1:00 P.M.

Hearing Room D
Tapes 49 - 50

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 Tusio, Committee Assistant

MEASURES/ISSUES HEARD:
SB 48 – Work Session
SB 52 – Work Session
SB 38 – Work Session
SB 364 – Work Session
SB 768 - Public Hearing and Work Session

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TAPE/#	Speaker	Comments
TAPE 49, A		
005	Chair Walker	Calls meeting to order at 1:05 p.m. and opens work session on SB 48.
SB 48 – WORK SESSION		
012	Marjorie Taylor	Committee Administrator. Gives overview of SB 48.
025	Sen. C. Starr	MOTION: Moves SB 48 to the floor with a DO PASS recommendation. VOTE: 4-0-1 EXCUSED: 1 - Sen. Deckert Hearing no objection, declares the motion CARRIED. SEN. C. STARR will lead discussion on the floor.
031	Chair Walker	Closes work session on SB 48 and opens work session on SB 52.
SB 52 – WORK SESSION		
032	Marjorie Taylor	Committee Administrator. Gives overview of SB 52. Mentions -1 amendments for SB 52 (EXHIBIT A).
049	Sen. C. Starr	Comments on the -1 amendments for SB 52.
058	Sen. C. Starr	MOTION: Moves to ADOPT SB 52-1 amendments dated 3/10/05. VOTE: 4-0-1 EXCUSED: 1 - Sen. Deckert Hearing no objection, declares the motion CARRIED.
060	Chair Walker Sen. C. Starr	MOTION: Moves SB 52 to the floor with a DO PASS AS AMENDED recommendation. VOTE: 4-0-1 EXCUSED: 1 - Sen. Deckert Hearing no objection, declares the motion CARRIED. SEN. C. STARR will lead discussion on the floor.
069	Chair Walker	Closes work session on SB 52 and opens work session on SB 38.
SB 38 – WORK SESSION		
071	Marjorie Taylor	Committee Administrator. Gives overview of SB 38. Mentions -1 amendments for SB 38 (EXHIBIT B). States that SB 38 has a subsequent referral to Ways and Means.
083	Sen. C. Starr	MOTION: Moves to ADOPT SB 38-1 amendments dated 02/22/05.
085	Sen. C. Starr	States that he supports SB 38 with the -1 amendments. VOTE: 3-0-2 EXCUSED: 2 - Sen. Morrisette, Sen. Deckert Hearing no objection, declares the motion CARRIED.
092	Chair Walker	MOTION: Moves SB 38 to the floor with a DO PASS AS AMENDED
097	Sen. C. Starr	

recommendation and BE REFERRED to the committee on Ways and Means.

VOTE: 3-0-2

EXCUSED: 2 - Sen. Morrisette, Sen. Deckert

Hearing no objection, declares the motion CARRIED.

Closes work session on SB 38 and opens work session on SB 364.

101 **Chair Walker**
103 Chair Walker
SB 364 – WORK SESSION
104 Marjorie Taylor

Committee Administrator. Gives overview of SB 364. Mentions -3 amendments for SB 364 (**EXHIBIT C**). Reports that there is a subsequent referral to Ways and Means.

123 Sen. C. Starr

States that he has not reviewed the -3 amendments but is comfortable with the overview provided by the committee administrator.

133 **Sen. C. Starr**

MOTION: Moves to ADOPT SB 364-3 amendments dated 03/11/05.

VOTE: 3-0-2

EXCUSED: 2 - Sen. Morrisette, Sen. Deckert

Hearing no objection, declares the motion CARRIED.

136 **Chair Walker**
137 **Sen. C. Starr**

MOTION: Moves SB 364 to the floor with a DO PASS AS AMENDED recommendation and BE REFERRED to the committee on Ways and Means.

141 Sen. Kruse

States that he will vote for SB 364 but that he has concerns with the creation of taskforces. Hopes that it will be addressed in the Ways and Means committee.

154 Chair Walker

Comments on Sen. Kruse's concern.

VOTE: 4-0-1

EXCUSED: 1 - Sen. Deckert

Hearing no objection, declares the motion CARRIED.

Closes work session and opens public hearing on SB 768.

162 **Chair Walker**
164 Chair Walker
SB 768 – PUBLIC HEARING
165 Marjorie Taylor
180 Morgan Cowling

Committee Administrator. Gives overview of SB 768.

Legislative Director, Oregon Student Association. Testifies in support of SB 768. Submits written testimony (**EXHIBIT D**).

205 Chair Walker

Asks why they did not get the waiver for TANF.

206 Cowling

Explains why the waiver was not received.

210 Chair Walker

Clarifies that it was not caused by Oregon's Department of Human Services.

213 Cowling

Confirms that it was not caused by Oregon's Department of Human Services.

230 Marge Reinhart

Children, Adults, and Families, Office of Self-Sufficiency, Department of Human Services. Testifies on SB 768. Expresses neutrality to SB 768 and explains reasons in detail. Submits written testimony (**EXHIBIT E**).

327 Chair Walker

Asks if there was a fiscal on the bill mentioned from last session.

329 Reinhart

Replies yes.

334 Sen. Kruse

Discusses purpose of SB 768.

341 Reinhart

Agrees and explains.

344 Sen. Kruse

Responds.

353 Chair Walker

Says that Sen. Kruse makes a good point. Talks about the HB 2450 fiscal statement. Asks Reinhart to respond.

364 Reinhart

Responds.

373 Chair Walker

Asks if the program was not funded because the waiver was not received.

376 Reinhart

Replies yes.

380 Chair Walker

Clarifies reason money was spent on something other than the program.

382 Sen. Kruse

Asks if the Ways and Means subcommittee on Human Resources could choose to direct funds to a specific purpose.

390 Reinhart

Believes it is true.

393 Sen. C. Starr

Asks clarification question.

404 Reinhart

Replies yes.

424 Sarah Merten

Oregon Food Bank. Testifies in support of SB 768.

TAPE 50, A

005 Merten

Continues testimony in support of SB 768.

062 Scott Lu

Co-Chair, Oregon Students of Color Coalition. Testifies in support of SB 768. Submits written testimony (**EXHIBIT F**).

080 Tina Kotek

Policy Director, Children First for Oregon. Testifies in support of SB 768.

098 Ellen Lowe

Submits written testimony (**EXHIBIT G**).

Oregon Law Center. Testifies on SB 768.

109	Cowling	Comments on Merten's testimony.
	The following prepared testimony is submitted for the record without public testimony:	
	Cassandra Garrison	Public Policy Manager, Oregon Food Bank. Submits written testimony on SB 768 (EXHIBIT H).
115	Chair Walker	Closes public hearing and opens work session on SB 768.
	<u>SB 768 –WORK SESSION</u>	
116	Sen. C. Starr	MOTION: Moves SB 768 to the floor with a DO PASS recommendation.
118	Sen. Kruse	Comments on SB 768. Supports SB 768.
129	Chair Walker	Agrees and comments on SB 768.
138		VOTE: 5-0-0
	Chair Walker	Hearing no objection, declares the motion CARRIED.
		SEN. MORRISETTE will lead discussion on the floor.
143	Chair Walker	Closes work session and adjourns meeting at 1:48 p.m.

EXHIBIT SUMMARY

- A. SB 52, - 1 amendments, staff, 2 pp
- B. SB 38, - 1 amendments, staff, 3 pp
- C. SB 364, - 3 amendments, staff, 1 p
- D. SB 768, written testimony, Morgan Cowling, 1 p
- E. SB 768, written testimony, Marge Reinhart, 4 pp
- F. SB 768, written testimony, Scott Lu, 1 p
- G. SB 768, written testimony, Tina Kotek, 1 p
- H. SB 768, written testimony, Cassandra Garrison, 2 pp