

SENATE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION AND WORKFORCE

March 23, 2005
3:00 P.M.

Hearing Room D
Tapes 57 - 59

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 Tusso, Committee Assistant

MEASURES/ISSUES HEARD:
SB 838 - Public Hearing and Work Session
SB 853 - Public Hearing and Work Session
SB 674 - Public Hearing and Work Session
SB 580 - Public Hearing and Work Session
SB 749 – Work Session
SB 755 – Work Session

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<u>TAPE/#</u>	<u>Speaker</u>	<u>Comments</u>
TAPE 57, A		
005	Chair Walker	Calls meeting to order at 3:07 p.m. and opens a public hearing on SB 838.
<u>SB 838 – PUBLIC HEARING</u>		
015	Marjorie Taylor	Committee Administrator. Gives overview of SB 838.
021	Rep. Tom Butler	Represents House District 60. Testifies in support of SB 838.
064	Sen. Ryan Deckert	Represents Senate District 14. Testifies in support of SB 838. Submits written testimony (EXHIBIT A). Submits letter on behalf of Pixelworks (EXHIBIT B).
109	Chair Walker	Asks why Sen. Deckert wants to abolish the two separate councils and combine them into one council.
111	Sen. Deckert	Explains.
123	Chair Walker	Asks if Sen. Deckert thinks it will give the Governor more control of the money.
125	Sen. Deckert	Responds.
140	Richard Linton	University of Oregon. Testifies in support of SB 838. Submits written testimony (EXHIBIT C).
198	Michelle Girts	CH2M HILL. Testifies in support of SB 838. Submits written testimony (EXHIBIT D).
253	Skip Rung	Executive Director, Oregon Nanoscience and Microtechnologies Institute (ONAMI). Testifies in support of SB 838. Submits written testimony (EXHIBIT E).
320	Sen. Kruse	Asks about the duties and mission of the council. Talks about capital construction.
339	Rung	Says that SB 838 does not address the issues Sen. Kruse discussed directly.
345	Sen. Kruse	Asks if he is looking for ways to alleviate barriers.
352	Rung	Replies that it is part of it but that the focus is on the innovation cycle and moving basic discovery and research into the market place.
360	Sen. Kruse	Points out that it is not a major capital facility.
369	Chair Walker	Asks about provision in SB 838 page 5, section 9, subsection 5. Asks

410	Rung	where the research center will be located. Explains.
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009	Chair Walker	Asks if Rung anticipates that the signature research center will be in more than one location.
011	Rung	Replies yes and explains.
020	Pat Scruggs	Innovation and Technology Manager, Oregon Economic and Community Development. Submits written testimony (EXHIBIT S). Speaks to Sen. Walker's question regarding the provision in SB 838 page 5, section 9, subsection 5.
040	Chair Walker	Asks if a contract is signed when loan money is granted.
043	Scruggs	Replies yes and explains.
046	Chair Walker	Clarifies reason behind question.
060	Scruggs	Says that most of the funds have very thorough application and loan program provisions. Responds to Sen. Kruse's question.
073	Sen. Kruse	Responds.
085	Jack Isselmann	Pixelworks. Testifies in support of SB 838. Submits written testimony (EXHIBIT F). Mentions letters submitted on behalf of Pixelworks (EXHIBIT G) and Hewlett Packard (EXHIBIT H).
150	Kay Altman	Home Dialysis Plus. Testifies in support of SB 838. Submits written testimony (EXHIBIT I).
231	Chair Walker	Comments that there are people in Oregon who are capable of doing great things.
237	David Chen	Represents OVP Venture Partners and the ONAMI Advisory Board. Testifies in support of SB 838.
337	Chen	Continues testimony on SB 838.
TAPE 57, B		
001	Chen	Continues testimony on SB 838.
015	Chair Walker	Comments on testimony.
039	Sen. Deckert	Thanks group of presenters. Asks Chen what ideas he has for Oregon other than what has been discussed today.
049	Chen	Responds.
076	Chair Walker	Reports that SB 838 will probably be sent to Ways and Means today. Mentions comment regarding a report card. Says that the committee on Ways and Means is paying very close attention to how money is being spent and stresses that it would be beneficial to show the committee a report card.
The following prepared testimony is submitted for the record without public testimony:		
	E. Walter Van Valkenburg	Stoel Rives, Attorneys at Law. Submits written testimony in support of SB 838 (EXHIBIT R).
086	Chair Walker	Closes public hearing on SB 838 and opens work session on SB 838.
SB 838 – WORK SESSION		
089	Sen. C. Starr	MOTION: Moves SB 838 to the floor with a DO PASS recommendation and BE REFERRED to the committee on Ways and Means.
		VOTE: 5-0-0
	Chair Walker	Hearing no objection, declares the motion CARRIED.
096	Chair Walker	Closes work session and opens public hearing on SB 853.
SB 853 – PUBLIC HEARING		
100	Marjorie Taylor	Committee Administrator. Gives overview of SB 853.
107	Sen. Frank Morse	Represents Senate District 8. Testifies in support of SB 853. Submits -1 amendments (EXHIBIT J).
183	Chair Walker	Asks how the OKED feels about the amendments.
186	Sen. Morse	Replies in detail.
221	Mary Foley	Oregon Health Science University (OHSU). Testifies in support of SB 853. Submits written testimony (EXHIBIT K).
289	Sen. Morrisette	Points out that \$28 billion is being spent on tax credits. Says that he would like to identify existing tax credits that could be replaced by the

315	Chair Walker	one proposed.
329	Pat Scruggs	Mentions SB 719. Innovation and Technology Manager, Oregon Economic and Community Development. Testifies in support of SB 853. Submits written testimony (EXHIBIT L).
398	Chair Walker	Asks Sen. Morse if SB 853 is ready to be moved with the -1 amendments.
400	Sen. Morse	Replies yes.
404	Chair Walker	Talks about the -1 amendments. Reports that SB 853 has a subsequent referral to Revenue.
412	Chair Walker	Closes public hearing and opens work session on SB 853.
SB 853 – WORK SESSION		
414	Sen. C. Starr	MOTION: Moves to ADOPT SB 853-1 amendments dated 3/23/05.
	Chair Walker	VOTE: 5-0-0 Hearing no objection, declares the motion CARRIED.
420	Sen. C. Starr	MOTION: Moves SB 853 to the floor with a DO PASS AS AMENDED recommendation and BE REFERRED to the committee on Revenue.
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003	Sen. Morrisette	Asks if there will be a revenue impact.
011	Chair Walker	Responds.
013	Sen. Morrisette	Says he will support SB 853 being moved to the Revenue committee but that he is not sure if he will support SB 853 if it goes to the floor.
018	Chair Walker	VOTE: 5-0-0 Hearing no objection, declares the motion CARRIED.
021	Chair Walker	Closes work session and opens public hearing on SB 674.
SB 674 – PUBLIC HEARING		
023	Marjorie Taylor	Committee Administrator. Gives overview of SB 674.
028	Sen. Richard Devlin	Represents Senate District 19. Testifies in support of SB 674.
060	Sen. C. Starr	Comments on SB 674.
075	Vickie Fleming	Deputy Superintendent, Oregon Department of Education (ODE). Testifies in support of SB 674. Submits written testimony and a report on Virtual Learning in Oregon dated March, 2005 (EXHIBIT M).
110	Camille Cole	Specialist on E-Learning, ODE. Testifies in support of SB 674.
123	Sen. Morrisette	Asks question regarding administrative rules.
128	Fleming	Explains.
141	Sen. Devlin	Responds to Sen. Morrisette's question.
149	Sen. Kruse	Asks Sen. Devlin's opinion regarding the fate of SB 674 once it gets assigned to the committee on Ways and Means.
152	Sen. Devlin	Responds that the Education Subcommittee on Ways and Means set aside \$50,000 today to look at E-Learning issues.
159	Sen. Morrisette	Asks if the money came from the Education Service Districts.
160	Sen. Devlin	Replies no.
170	Chair Walker	Closes public hearing on SB 674 and opens work session on SB 674.
SB 674 – WORK SESSION		
171	Sen. C. Starr	MOTION: Moves SB 674 to the floor with a DO PASS recommendation and BE REFERRED to the committee on Ways and Means.
	Chair Walker	VOTE: 4-0-1 EXCUSED: 1 - Sen. Deckert Hearing no objection, declares the motion CARRIED.
177	Chair Walker	Closes work session and opens public hearing on SB 580.
SB 580 – PUBLIC HEARING		
178	Marjorie Taylor	Committee Administrator. Gives overview of SB 580.
189	Sen. Richard Devlin	Represents Senate District 19. Testifies in support of SB 580.
258	Sen. Kruse	Asks what problem SB 580 is trying to fix.
272	Sen. Devlin	Explains.

321	Sen. Morrisette	Comments on testimony.
333	Sen. Devlin	Responds.
344	Chair Walker	Mentions written testimony submitted for the record by Laurie Wimmer Whelan without public testimony (EXHIBIT N).
352	David Williams	Oregon School Boards Association. Testifies in support of SB 580. Reports that the Confederation of Oregon School Administrators supports SB 580.
365	Chair Walker	Mentions written testimony submitted for the record by the Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT) in support of SB 580 (EXHIBIT O).
370	Chair Walker	Closes public hearing and opens work session on SB 580.
SB 580 – WORK SESSION		
371	Sen. C. Starr	MOTION: Moves SB 580 to the floor with a DO PASS recommendation.
375	Sen. Morrisette	Supports SB 580.
380	Sen. Kruse	Says that “SB 580 sounds nice but feels that it is already being done.” Talks about the ability to add something for safety to a bond measure.
389	Sen. Devlin	Responds to comment.
393	Sen. Kruse	Asks if the cost of an improvement can be considered part of the school district’s bond measure.
401	Sen. Devlin	Explains.
438		VOTE: 4-1-0 AYE: 4 - Sen. Walker, Sen. C. Starr, Sen. Deckert, Sen. Morrisette NAY: 1 - Sen. Kruse The motion Carries. SEN. DEVLIN will lead discussion on the floor.
	Chair Walker	
TAPE 59, A		
010	Sen. Kruse	Asks Sen. Devlin to get more information regarding the bond measure issue.
012	Chair Walker	Closes work session on SB 580 and opens work session on SB 749.
SB 749 – WORK SESSION		
013	Marjorie Taylor	Committee Administrator. Gives overview of SB 749. Mentions -3 amendments (EXHIBIT P).
023	Chair Walker	Talks about -3 amendments.
045	Sen. C. Starr	MOTION: Moves to ADOPT SB 749-3 amendments dated 3/23/05. VOTE: 5-0-0 Hearing no objection, declares the motion CARRIED.
047	Chair Walker Sen. C. Starr	MOTION: Moves SB 749 to the floor with a DO PASS AS AMENDED recommendation and BE REFERRED to the committee on Ways and Means. VOTE: 5-0-0 Hearing no objection, declares the motion CARRIED.
060	Chair Walker	Closes work session on SB 749 and opens work session on SB 755.
SB 755 – WORK SESSION		
062	Marjorie Taylor	Committee Administrator. Gives overview of SB 755. Mentions -3 amendments (EXHIBIT Q).
067	Chair Walker	Comments on the -3 amendments.
071	Sen. C. Starr	MOTION: Moves to ADOPT SB 755-3 amendments dated //05. VOTE: 5-0-0 Hearing no objection, declares the motion CARRIED.
074	Chair Walker Sen. C. Starr	MOTION: Moves SB 755 to the floor with a DO PASS AS AMENDED recommendation. VOTE: 5-0-0 Hearing no objection, declares the motion CARRIED. SEN. WALKER will lead discussion on the floor.
078	Chair Walker	
080	Chair Walker	Closes work session and adjourns meeting at 5:07 p.m.

EXHIBIT SUMMARY

- A. SB 838, written testimony, Sen. Ryan Deckert, 1 p
- B. SB 838, letter from Pixelworks, Sen. Ryan Deckert, 2 pp
- C. SB 838, written testimony, Richard Linton, 2 pp
- D. SB 838, written testimony, Michelle Girts, 4 pp
- E. SB 838, written testimony, Robert Rung, 3 pp
- F. SB 838, written testimony, Jack Isselmann, 2 pp
- G. SB 838, letter from Pixelworks, Jack Isselmann, 2 pp
- H. SB 838, letter from Hewlett Packard, Jack Isselmann, 2 pp
- I. SB 838, written testimony, Kay Altman, 3 pp
- J. SB 853, -1 amendments, Sen. Frank Morse, 1 p
- K. SB 853, written testimony, Mary Foley, 2 pp
- L. SB 853, written testimony, Patricia Scruggs, 2 pp
- M. SB 674, written testimony, Vickie Fleming, 4 pp
- N. SB 580, written testimony, Laurie Wimmer Whelan, 1 p
- O. SB 580, written testimony, Troy Costales, 1 p
- P. SB 749, -3 amendments, staff, 5 pp
- Q. SB 755, -3 amendments, staff, 2 pp

The following exhibits are listed out of order in the body of the tape log:

- R. SB 838, written testimony, E. Walter Van Valkenburg, 2 pp
- S. SB 838, written testimony, Patricia Scruggs, 4 pp