

SENATE COMMITTEE ON HUMAN SERVICES

February 10, 2005
3:00 P.M.

Hearing Room D
Tapes 16 - 17

MEMBERS PRESENT: Sen. Bill Morrisette, Chair
Sen. Jeff Kruse, Vice-Chair
Sen. Rick Metsger
Sen. Laurie Monnes Anderson
Sen. Charles Starr

STAFF PRESENT: Rick Berkobien, Committee Administrator
Brittany Kenison, Committee Assistant

MEASURES/ISSUES HEARD:
Introduction of Committee Measures – Work Session
SB 20 – Public Hearing and Work Session
SB 289 – Public Hearing and Work Session

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<u>TAPE/#</u>	<u>Speaker</u>	<u>Comments</u>
TAPE 16, A		
003	Chair Morrisette	Calls committee meeting to order at 3:04 p.m. Opens work session for introduction of committee measures.
<u>INTRODUCTION OF COMMITTEE MEASURES – WORK SESSION</u>		
005	Rick Berkobien	Committee Administrator. Introduces LC 1133 (EXHIBIT A), LC 1153 (EXHIBIT B), LC 1155 (EXHIBIT C), and LC 2250 (EXHIBIT D).
010	Sen. Kruse	MOTION: Moves LC's: 1133, 1153, 1155, 2250 BE INTRODUCED as committee bills.
015		VOTE: 5-0-0
	Chair Morrisette	Hearing no objection, declares the motion CARRIED.
020	Chair Morrisette	Closes work session for introduction of committee measures and opens a public hearing on SB 20.
<u>SB 20 – PUBLIC HEARING</u>		
025	Rick Berkobien	Committee Administrator. Explains the bill.
050	David Wolf	President Elect, Oregon Optometric Physicians Association (OPA). Submits and presents written testimony in support of SB 20 (EXHIBIT E).
100	Sen. Monnes Anderson	Asks what medical conditions they are able to cover.
105	Wolf	Provides examples.
107	Chair Morrisette	Asks if Wolf has had an issue with a particular Independent Physicians Association (IPA).
110	Wolf	Advises yes and explains how.
115	Chair Morrisette	Comments on IPA and Lane county Independent Physicians Association (LIPA).

130	Leland Carr	Dean, Pacific University, College of Optometry, Forest Grove, OR. Notes that they are the only school in Northwest that has accredited optometry schooling. Testifies in support of SB 20. Explains how it would remove barriers and obstacles.
160	Wayne Schumacher	Executive Director, Oregon Optometric Physicians Association (OPA). Submits and presents written testimony in support of SB 20 (EXHIBIT F).
210	Sen. Kruse	Refers to changes in sections three and four of the bill. Asks if sections clarify the current bill.
220	Schumacher	Affirms.
230	Scott Gallant	Representative, Oregon Medical Association. Testifies about concerns with SB 20.
280	Gallant	Continues to discuss concerns.
310	Sen. Kruse	Asks Gallant to address the major concern of SB 20.
320	Gallant	Comments on a variety of reasons that the bill is necessary. Also addresses major concern.
350	Chair Morrisette	Identifies that there might be an interpretation issue.
375	Holly Robinson	Legislative Counsel's office. Explains the intent of the bill.
395	Sen. Kruse	Refers to sections three and four. Confirms that the language is to clarify previous bill.
400	Robinson	Explains how the language is different, but kept the underlying concept is the same.

TAPE 17, A

006	Gallant	Reads the part of the bill that is he has concern about.
025	Robinson	Clarifies the definition Gallant used and how he misinterpreted the definition.
035	Gallant	Requests that he and the other party go over bill more thoroughly.
045	Sen. Monnes Anderson	Confirms that a service can be provided by a physician that is not apart of the IPA.
055	Robinson	Affirms. Adds that the insured in those cases are covered by optometry services.
070	Sen. Monnes Anderson	Clarifies that with a preferred provider plan, you have to go through your primary provider first.
075	Robinson	Affirms, adds that there are services they have to provide.
077	Sen. Kruse	Asks Gallant to confirm that patients can choose an optometrist not contracted with an IPA.
083	Gallant	Affirms.
085	Sen. Kruse	Asks if a patient goes to an optometrist and the service is provided, then whose business will it effect negatively.
087	Gallant	Asks Sen. Kruse to clarify the question.
090	Sen. Kruse	Re-clarifies question.
100	Gallant	Answers questions about patients seeing a physician not in their plan.
115	Sen. Kruse	Clarifies that he is trying to figure out who the bill would effect negatively or entity at risk.
135	Sen. Alan Bates	Senate District # 3. Clarifies Sen. Kruse's question and the bill. Also testifies in support of SB 20.
180	Sen. Metsger	Asks if charges are similar for all optometrists and if there is control of the costs.
188	Sen. Bates	Clarifies that if they are apart of the IPA, they agree to the contract set up by IPA.
205	Gallant	Comments again on his concern for the language of the bill. Addresses that bill is for multiple purposes.

250	Sen. Bates	Comments on getting a second opinion for language bill. Encourages to pass bill.
265	Chair Morrisette	Closes public hearing and opens a work session on SB 20.
<u>SB 20 – WORK SESSION</u>		
270	Sen. Kruse	MOTION: Moves SB 20 to the floor with a DO PASS recommendation.
275	Sen. C Starr	Comments on his support for the bill
285	Sen. Metsger	Comments on helpfulness of Sen. Bates clarification. Addresses who is being harmed. Notes possible additional cost.
295	Sen. Monnes Anderson	Comments on importance of cost containment.
310	Chair Morrisette	VOTE: 5-0-0 Hearing no objection, declares the motion CARRIED. SEN. BATES will lead discussion on the floor.
310	Chair Morrisette	Closes work session on SB 20 and opens public hearing on SB 289.
<u>SB 289 – PUBLIC HEARING</u>		
325	Patty Whitney-Wise	Executive Director, Oregon Hunger Relief Task Force. Submits and presents written testimony in support of SB 289 (EXHIBIT G).
385	Sarah Chieffo	Legislative Aide for Sen. Frank Shields, Senate District #24. Testifies in support of SB 289 in his behalf.
415	Sue Woodbury	Program Manager, Nutrition and Health Screening (WIC) program, Office of Family Health, Oregon Department of Human Services. Submits and presents testimony in support of SB 289 (EXHIBIT H).
Tape 16, B		
015	Sen. Kruse	Comments on the amount of fruits and vegetables one can buy with \$20.00 at farmers markets and road side stands.
025	Sen. Starr	Comments on personal experience owning a farm and customers using the coupons.
035	Chair Morrisette	Closes public hearing and opens work session on SB 289.
<u>SB 289 – WORK SESSION</u>		
038	Sen. Kruse	MOTION: Moves SB 289 to the floor with a DO PASS recommendation and BE REFERRED to the committee on Ways and Means by prior reference.
042	Chair Morrisette	VOTE: 5-0-0 Hearing no objection, declares the motion CARRIED.
045	Chair Morrisette	Closes work session on SB 289 and adjourns meeting at 4:10 p.m.

EXHIBIT SUMMARY

- A. Introductions, LC 1133, staff, 3 pp**
- B. Introductions, LC 1153, staff, 2 pp**
- C. Introductions, LC 1155, staff, 2 pp**
- D. Introductions, LC 2250, staff, 1 p**
- E. SB 20, written testimony, David Wolf, 2 pp**
- F. SB 20, written testimony, Wayne Schumacher, 5 pp**
- G. SB 289, written testimony, Patti Whitney-Wise, 2 pp**

H. SB 289, written testimony, Sue Woodbury, 2 pp