

SENATE COMMITTEE ON HUMAN SERVICES

March 31, 2005
3:00 P.M.

Hearing Room 50
Tapes 46 - 48

Corrected 10/03/2005

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

MEMBER EXCUSED: **Sen. Laurie Monnes Anderson**
 Sen. Rick Metsger

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

MEASURES/ISSUES HEARD:

SB 776 – Public Hearing and Work Session
SB 892 – Public Hearing and Work Session
SB 1005 – Public Hearing
SB 678 – Public Hearing

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<u>TAPE/#</u>	<u>Speaker</u>	<u>Comments</u>
TAPE 46, A		
003	Chair Morrisette	Calls the meeting to order at 3:05 p.m. Opens a public hearing on SB 776.
<u>SB 776 – PUBLIC HEARING</u>		
009	Rick Berkobien	Committee Administrator. Explains the bill and introduces the -1 amendments to SB 776 (EXHIBIT A).
040	Barney Speight	Administrator, Office of Medical Assistance Programs (OMAP), Oregon Department of Human Services (DHS). Testifies in opposition to SB 776.
090	Speight	Continues testifying in opposition to SB 776.
140	Speight	Concludes testimony.
150	Chair Morrisette	Asks if he is meeting Karen O'Conner, Deputy Regional Administrator, Region 10, Medicare and Medicaid Services, in regard to federal oversight and contracts.
155	Speight	Answers question.
160	Chair Morrisette	Asks Speight to comment on the oversight between OMAP and O'Conner's department.
163	Speight	Comments.
185	Chair Morrisette	Comments on past communications with O'Conner.
195	Speight	Continues to testify in opposition to SB 776.
210	Tim Baxter	Lane County Law and Advocacy Center. Testifies in support of SB 776.
255	Chair Morrisette	Asks Baxter to speak slowly for the sign language interpreters.
260	Baxter	Continues testifying in support of SB 776.
310	Baxter	Continues testifying in support of SB 776.
350	Chair Morrisette	Comments on Speight's position with OMAP. Comments on outstanding issues.
395	Speight	Corrects previous testimony.
405	Baxter	Comments on the -1 amendments.
430	Chair Morrisette	Closes the public hearing and opens a work session on SB 776.
<u>SB 776 – WORK SESSION</u>		
440	Sen. Kruse	MOTION: Moves to ADOPT SB 776-1 amendments dated 3/21/05. VOTE: 3-0-2

	Chair Morrisette	EXCUSED: 2 - Sen. Metsger, Sen. Monnes Anderson Hearing no objection, declares the motion CARRIED.
TAPE 47, A		
010	Sen. Kruse	Comments on his support of the bill.
020	Sen. Kruse	MOTION: Moves SB 776 to the floor with a DO PASS AS AMENDED recommendation and BE REFERRED to the committee on Ways and Means by prior reference.
023		VOTE: 3-0-2
	Chair Morrisette	EXCUSED: 2 - Sen. Metsger, Sen. Monnes Anderson Hearing no objection, declares the motion CARRIED.
025	Chair Morrisette	Closes the work session on SB 776. Opens a public hearing on SB 892.
	<u>SB 892 – PUBLIC HEARING</u>	
040	Rick Berkobien	Committee Administrator. Explains the bill.
045	Sen. Bruce Starr	Senate District 15. Testifies in support of SB 892. Asks Berkobien if SB 892 has a subsequent referral to Revenue.
048	Berkobien	Responds, yes.
065	Sen. Kruse	Asks if the sunset is scheduled this biennium.
067	Sen. Starr	Answers, January 1, 2006.
070	Sen. Kruse	Comments on the subsequent referral.
072	Chair Morrisette	Closes the public hearing and opens a work session on SB 892.
	<u>SB 892 – WORK SESSION</u>	
075	Sen. Kruse	MOTION: Moves SB 892 to the floor with a DO PASS recommendation and BE REFERRED to the committee on Revenue by prior reference.
080		VOTE: 3-0-2
	Chair Morrisette	EXCUSED: 2 - Sen. Metsger, Sen. Monnes Anderson Hearing no objection, declares the motion CARRIED.
085	Chair Morrisette	Closes the work session on SB 892 and opens a public hearing on SB 1005.
	<u>SB 1005 – PUBLIC HEARING</u>	
090	Rick Berkobien	Committee Administrator. Explains the bill and introduces the -1 amendments to SB 1005 (EXHIBIT B).
105	Rep. Steve March	House District 46. Submits and presents written testimony in support of SB 1005 (EXHIBIT C).
145	George Scheler	Citizen, Albany, Oregon. Submits and presents written testimony in support of SB 1005 (EXHIBIT D).
220	Margi Morgan	(Note: Interpreter speaks for witness). Vice President, Oregon Association of the Deaf. President, Oregon School for the Deaf Alumni Association. Submits and presents written testimony in support of SB 1005 (EXHIBIT E).
285	Bill Mosier	Clergy, Episcopal Diocese. Teacher for the deaf. Co-founder, Northwest Human Services Connections Program. Submits and presents written testimony in support of SB 1005 (EXHIBIT F).
400	Renwick Dayton	(Note: Interpreter speaks for witness). Citizen, Hillsboro, Oregon. Submits and presents written testimony in support of SB 1005 (EXHIBIT G).
TAPE, 46 B		
010	Linda Diaz	Hard of Hearing (HOH) and Deaf Coordinator, Lane Independent Living Alliance. Submits and presents written testimony in support of SB 1005 (EXHIBIT H).
075	Bob Williams	Self Help for Hard-of-Hearing of Oregon. Submits and presents written testimony in support of SB 1005 (EXHIBIT I).
150	Chair Morrisette	Recesses the public hearing on SB 1005 and opens the public hearing on SB 678 to allow Sen. Beyer to testify.
	<u>SB 678 – PUBLIC HEARING</u>	
160	Sen. Roger Beyer	Senate District 9. Testifies in support of SB 678.

230 Chair Morrisette States that the public hearing for SB 678 will be rescheduled.
 235 Sen. Kruse Comments that he appreciates Sen. Beyer for sponsoring the bill.
 255 Chair Morrisette Closes the public hearing on SB 678 and reopens the public hearing on SB 1005.

SB 1005 – PUBLIC HEARING

275 Lillie Mae Johnson Citizen, Gresham, Oregon. Submits and presents written testimony in support of SB 1005 (**EXHIBIT J**).
 380 George Scheler Citizen, Albany, Oregon. Submits and presents written testimony on behalf of David Viers, President, Self Help for Hard of Hearing People of Oregon, Inc., in support of SB 1005 (**EXHIBIT K**).
 450 Bradley Houck Counselor, Deaf and Hard of Hearing, Connection Program, Northwest Human Services. Submits and presents written testimony in support of SB 1005 (**EXHIBIT L**).

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030 Houck Continues testimony in support of SB 1005.
 080 Ginney Lang Qwest Communications International, Inc. Testifies in support of SB 1005.
 125 David Paulson Sprint Corporation. Submits and presents written testimony on behalf of Brant Wolf, Oregon Telecommunications Association, in opposition to SB 1005 (**EXHIBIT M**).
 165 Shelley Oishi (Note: Interpreter speaks for witness) Mental Health Counselor, Connection Program, Northwest Human Services. Submits and presents written testimony in support of SB 1005 (**EXHIBIT N**).
 225 Chair Morrisette Stands the committee at ease.
 228 Chair Morrisette Resumes the meeting.
 230 Sherry Andrus Sign Language Interpreter. Submits and presents written testimony in support of SB 1005 with the -1 amendments (**EXHIBIT O**).
 340 Chair Morrisette Asks Andrus to discuss services of the 31 states mentioned in her testimony.
 345 Andrus Provides explanation of services provided.
 360 Chair Morrisette Asks for specific information to be provided to the committee.
 362 Andrus States that he will return information to the committee.
 365 Sen. Kruse Asks for information on how their programs are funded.
 368 Andrus Answers question.
 380 Juanita Heiken (Note: Interpreters speaks for witness) Citizen, Oregon. Submits and presents written testimony on behalf of Alethea Boyer, Citizen, Oregon, in support of SB 1005 (**EXHIBIT P**).

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045 Irmgard Friedburg (Note: Interpreter speaks for witness) Ph.D., Clinical Psychologist. Submits and presents written testimony in support of SB 1005 (**EXHIBIT Q**).
 095 Genie Mendiola Member, Deaf and Hard of Hearing Access Program Advisory Committee. Submits and presents written testimony in support of SB 1005 (**EXHIBIT R**).
 145 Mendiola Concludes testimony in support of SB 1005.

The following material is submitted for the record without public testimony:

Meg Cassinelli Assistant Director/Outreach Coordinator, Chestnut Lane Assisted Living. Submits written testimony in support of SB 1005 (**EXHIBIT S**).
 160 Chair Morrisette Notes that there will not be a work session on SB 1005 today, but it will be rescheduled. Closes the public hearing on SB 1005. Adjourns the meeting at 5:20 p.m.

SB 1005, SB 776, SB 668, SB 892, SB 678

Note: The meeting was closed captioned for the deaf and hard of hearing. The closed captioned transcript of the entire meeting is submitted by staff for the record (**EXHIBIT T**).

EXHIBIT SUMMARY

- A. SB 776, -1 amendments, staff, 3 pp**
- B. SB 1005, -1 amendments, staff, 2 pp**
- C. SB 1005, written testimony, Rep. Steve March, 2 pp**
- D. SB 1005, written testimony, George Scheler, 2 pp**
- E. SB 1005, written testimony, Margi Morgan, 2 pp**
- F. SB 1005, written testimony, Bill Mosier, 1**
- G. SB 1005, written testimony, Renwick Dayton, 1 p**
- H. SB 1005, written testimony, Linda Diaz, 2 pp**
- I. SB 1005, written testimony, Bob Williams, 2 pp**
- J. SB 1005, written testimony, Lillie Mae Johnson, 4 pp**
- K. SB 1005, written testimony of David Viers, George Scheler, 1 p**
- L. SB 1005, written testimony, Bradley Houck, 1 p**
- M. SB 1005, written testimony of Brant Wolf, 2 pp**
- N. SB 1005, written testimony, Shelley Oishi, 1 p**
- O. SB 1005, written testimony, Sherry Andrus, 2 pp**
- P. SB 1005, written testimony of Alethea Boyer, Juanita Heiken, 1 p**
- Q. SB 1005, written testimony, Irmgard Friedburg, 1 p**
- R. SB 1005, written testimony, Genie Mendiola, 1 p**
- S. SB 1005, written testimony, Meg Cassinelli, 1 p**
- T. SB 1005, SB 776, SB 668, SB 892, SB 678, Closed caption transcript, staff, 45 pp**