

SENATE COMMITTEE ON HUMAN SERVICES

April 05, 2005
3:00 P.M.

Hearing Room D
Tapes 55 - 56

Corrected 10/25/05

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

MEMBER EXCUSED: Sen. Rick Metsger

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

MEASURES/ISSUES HEARD:

SB 971 – Public Hearing
SB 374 – Public Hearing and Work Session
SB 782 – 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 55, A		
004	Chair Morrisette	Calls the meeting to order at 3:05 p.m. Opens a public hearing on SB 971.
<u>SB 971 – PUBLIC HEARING</u>		
007	Rick Berkobien	Committee Administrator. Explains the bill.
030	Betty McChesney-Haus	Chair, Delta Kappa Gamma Alpha Rho. Submits and presents written testimony in support of SB 971 (EXHIBIT A).
073	Chair Morrisette	Inquires about the statistics for Kaiser Permanente.
075	McChesney-Haus	Responds.
080	Marcia Kelley	Oregon Women's Rights Coalition. Submits and presents a report entitled "Bone Density Testing Mandate for Oregon Insurance Consumers" in support of SB 971 (EXHIBIT B).
130	Kelley	Continues to testify in support of SB 971. Reviews concerns of Kaiser Permanente and Regence BlueCross BlueShield.
158	Chair Morrisette	Comments on appreciation for possible amendments from the hospitals.
163	Sen. Monnes Anderson	Asks for the cost of a bone density test, what the treatment would be and the cost of treatment.
170	Kelley	Responds.
177	McChesney-Haus	Provides further explanation of costs involved.
195	Kelley	Explains the use of Vitamin D for prevention.
203	Chair Morrisette	Comments on Osteoporosis and heredity.
225	Kelley	Comments on the genetic connection with Osteoporosis.
229	Chair Morrisette	Comments on his belief as to why women get Osteoporosis more than men.
233	McChesney-Haus	Adds that women lose more calcium due to childbearing.
235	Chair Morrisette	States agreement.
236	McChesney-Haus	Comments on a report.

238	Chair Morrisette	Closes the public hearing on SB 971. Opens a public hearing on SB 374.
<u>SB 374 – PUBLIC HEARING</u>		
240	Rick Berkobien	Committee Administrator. Explains SB 374 and introduces the -1 amendments (EXHIBIT C).
250	Courtnei Dresser	Government Relations Director, Oregon Cancer Association. Testifies in support of SB 374 with the -1 amendments
255	Chair Morrisette	Closes the public hearing and opens a work session on SB 374.
<u>SB 374 – WORK SESSION</u>		
260	Sen. C. Starr	MOTION: Moves to ADOPT SB 374-1 amendments dated 4/4/05.
		VOTE: 5-0-0
	Chair Morrisette	Hearing no objection, declares the motion CARRIED.
280	Sen. Monnes Anderson	Discusses high healthcare costs. Asks if the bill removes the sunset provision.
290	Sen. Kruse	Answers, no.
293	Sen. Monnes Anderson	Asks if the bill removes the emergency clause.
295	Rick Berkobien	Answers, no.
296	Sen. Monnes Anderson	Comments on the bill being a mandate. Asks question regarding preferred provider companies.
305	Berkobien	States that he is not sure. Defers question.
320	John Powell	Regence BlueCross BlueShield. Answers Sen. Monnes Anderson's question. Identifies issues with the amendments.
355	Sen. Kruse	Discusses problem with the bill.
365	Sen. Monnes Anderson	Comments on mandating procedures that may change with technology.
375	Sen. Morrisette	Comments on the intent of the bill.
411	Sen. Kruse	Comments on the bill creating a mandate and making the service more expensive.
425	Sen. C. Starr	Explains why he supports the bill.
440	Sen. C. Starr	MOTION: Moves SB 374 to the floor with a DO PASS AS AMENDED recommendation.
460	Chair Morrisette	VOTE: 3-2-0
		AYE: 3 - Metsger, Starr C., Morrisette
		NAY: 2 - Kruse, Monnes Anderson
	Chair Morrisette	The motion CARRIES.
		SEN. COURTNEY will lead discussion on the floor.
TAPE 56, A		
015	Chair Morrisette	Closes work session on SB 374 and opens a public hearing on SB 782
<u>SB 782 – PUBLIC HEARING</u>		
015	Rick Berkobien	Committee Administrator. Explains the bill.
025	Sue Abrams	Children and Family Services, Oregon Department of Human Services (DHS). Testifies in support of SB 782.
095	Chair Morrisette	Asks Abram to clarify requirements of the bill.
098	Abrams	Responds.
104	Chair Morrisette	Asks question.
120	Abrams	Answers question.
125	Chair Morrisette	Remarks on DHS following up during the interim instead of creating an Administrative Rule.
132	Sen. Kruse	Comments on adding responsibilities to DHS.
143	Chair Morrisette	Comments on the efforts of the bill. Asks about Administrative

160	Abrams	Rule.
177	Chair Morrisette	Responds. Comments on attention from the media.
180	Abrams	Asks about conducting performance measures.
183	Chair Morrisette	Asks to clarify.
190	Berkobien	Discusses the need to track quality data.
		Remarks on a study performed. Asks if DHS could conduct a similar study.
199	Abrams	States that she is aware of the study. Elaborates on similar studies performed.
220	Lee Hazelwood	Senior's Advocate. Testifies in support of SB 782.
270	Chair Morrisette	Asks question.
275	Sen. Kruse	Responds. Comments that section two (2) of the bill would create a fiscal impact.
285	Chair Morrisette	Closes the public hearing on SB 782 and adjourns the meeting at 3:59 p.m.

EXHIBIT SUMMARY

- A. SB 971, written testimony, Betty McChesney-Haus, 1 p**
- B. SB 971, report, Marcia Kelley, 7 pp**
- C. SB 374, -1 amendments, staff, 2 pp**