

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON
AUDIT & HUMAN SERVICES BUDGET REFORM COMMITTEE

March 13, 2003 Hearing Room 50
3:00 PM Tapes 56 - 58

MEMBERS PRESENT: **Rep. Ben Westlund, Chair**
 Rep. Steve March, Vice Chair
 Rep. Jeff Kruse
 Rep. Jeff Merkley
 Rep. Alan Bates

MEMBERS EXCUSED: **Rep. Randy Miller**
 Rep. Susan Morgan, Vice-Chair

GUEST MEMBERS: **Rep. Mitch Greenlick**
 Rep. Laurie Monnes Anderson
 Rep. Dave Hunt

STAFF PRESENT: **Rick Berkobien, Committee Administrator**
 Kelly Fuller, Committee Assistant

ISSUES HEARD: **Informational Meeting - Invited Testimony Only**
 Ellen Pinney, Oregon Health Action Campaign
 Arthur Towers, Oregon Health Actions Campaign Board Member
 John Duke, Safety Net Clinic
 Tina Kotek, Children First of Oregon
 Maribeth Healey, Oregonians for Health Security
 OHP Clients and Volunteers

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, 56A		
001	Chair Westlund	Calls the meeting to order and opens the meeting for invited testimony.
<u>INFORMATIONAL MEETING</u>		
015	Berkobien	Makes announcements and gives information about what has been presented at the dais. (EXHIBIT A)
018	Ellen Pinney	Introduces herself as the Executive Director of the Health Action Campaign and presents testimony. (EXHIBIT B)
127	Rep. Bates	Asks question about the percents she presented.
130	Pinney	Responds with the percentages.
140	Rep. Bates	Would you agree that there is a lack of revenue for the SCHIP and that there has been a concern about the woodwork effect about enrolling children and their parent becoming eligible.
144	Pinney	Agrees and elaborates.
151	Chair Westlund	Made comments about his field trip from March 12, 2003.
169	Pinney	Continues presentation.
TAPE, 57 A		

045	Chair Westlund	Asks for a bulleted list of the recommendations that you presented.
048	Arthur Towers	Board Member of the Oregon Health Action Campaign and Executive Director of the Service Employees International Union, Oregon State Council and presents testimony. (EXHIBIT C)
104	Rep. March	Asks if he has any idea of how many client employed providers there are and what their wages are.
111	Towers	Responds to the number of client employed providers and wages.
119	John Duke	Oregon Coalition of Safety Net Clinics, begins presentation.
200	Chair Westlund	Reminds the group that he has a previously scheduled meeting and will have to step out for a half of an hour. Rep. March will be the take the chair position.
209	Rep. Greenlick	Asks if they could put the things they are talking about in a context of which ones are just bailing the boat and which ones are moving the boat.
240	Duke	Responds to the question about putting the items into context.
266	Pinney	Gives her elaboration on the question and talks about supporting the Safety Net Clinics.
299	Rep. Merkley	Asks if they have looked at restructuring of a minimum tax applied to personal income tax as a way to that theoretical concept into an actual proposal.
314	Towers	Responds to the restructuring.
343	Rep. Merkley	Asks if he will stay in contact with him about the revenue side.
353	Rep. Monnes Anderson	Having gone though becoming a FQHC site, give me a since of how are smaller satellite clinics can endure that.
370	Duke	Responds to the question of small clinics becoming a FQHC site.
TAPE, 56 B		
021	Chair March	Thanks the current panel for their presentations and call up the next group.
025	Sandy Bumpus	Presents testimony and begins testimony by giving solutions. (EXHIBIT D)
125	Ally Linfoot	Presents testimony. (EXHIBIT E)
216	Chair March	Thank you for not giving us the statistics, it is nice to have a face with the real issue.
222	Rep. Westlund	Also thanks the panel for being here with their issues.
230	Dorothy Saucy	Presents testimony and shows the members a photo of her son. (EXHIBIT F)
292	Chair March	Asks if she could give us some information about how TeleCare works.
295	Saucy	Explains TeleCare to the best of her knowledge.
325	Rep. Bates	Gives the panel information about what he does for a living and asks a question of Sandy Bumpus, explains a situation and asks how would this work for your son.
374	Bumpus	Responds to Rep. Bates about the situation he explained.
TAPE, 57 B		
020	Linfoot	Comments that her son feels that his therapist is a very safe and being with her is a very safe place to be.
034	Saucy	Comments about wrap around services.
049	Chair March	Thanks the panel and calls the next group to testify.
055	Jackie Mercer	Begins testimony.
136	Chair March	Asks for additional question and asks her to feel free to come forward with any policy suggestions that she may come up with.
145	Tina Kotek	Children First presents testimony. (EXHIBIT G)

229	Rep. Hunt	Is it fair to summarize your testimony by saying we need more dollars overall, and that dollars for CHIP would be the best place to add funding.
241	Kotek	Responds to the question about CHIP dollars.
246	Chair Westlund	Comments that he was also stunned when they saw the final numbers.
288	Ellen Gradison	Presents testimony. (EXHIBIT H)
321	Rep. Westlund	Asks if she said CHIP is included in the Governor's budget.
328	Kotek	Responds yes, to her understanding.
332	Rep. Westlund	Asks as public policy makers is it better policy to include an expanded population of children or is it better to take those dollars and insure the parents of those children.
347	Kotek	Asks a question of Rick Berkobien about the 12 million and if it is just for the children. Answers the questions about insurance for the children verses the parents. She asks if CHIP funds can also cover the parents.
393	Rep. Kruse	Answers the question about CHIP funds covering the parents.
TAPE, 58 A		
009	Rep. Greenlick	Asks question of Ellen Gradison about health policy.
020	Gradison	Responds to the question about health policy.
045	Maribeth Healey	Director of Oregonians for Health Security and presents testimony. (EXHIBIT I)
138	Chair Westlund	Asks how do you propose compensation the physicians every time an OHP patient walks into the office.
150	Healey	Comments to the best of her ability.

The following prepared information is submitted for the record without public testimony.

DHS	Informational, Final Report. (EXHIBIT J)
Chair Westlund	Calls meeting to a close and adjourns 5:05 PM

EXHIBIT SUMMARY

- A – Informational – OHP, Basic Benefit Package, Staff, 40 pp**
- B – Informational – OHP, Oregon Health Action Material, Ellen Pinney, 2 pp**
- C – Informational – OHP, prepared testimony, Arthur Towers, 3 pp**
- D – Informational – OHP, prepared testimony, Sandy Bumpus, 2 pp**
- E – Informational – OHP, prepared testimony, Ally Linfoot, 1 p**
- F – Informational – OHP, prepared testimony, Dorothy Saucy, 1 p**
- G – Informational – OHP, prepared testimony, Tina Kotek, 4 pp**
- H – Informational – OHP, prepared testimony, Ellen Gradison, 2 pp**
- I – Informational – OHP, prepared testimony, Maribeth Healey, 5 pp**
- J – Informational – OHP, Governor's Racial and Ethnic Health Task Force Final Report, DHS, 92 pp**