

**HOUSE COMMITTEE ON
ENVIRONMENT AND LAND USE**

**January 30, 2003 Hearing Room HR E
8:30 AM Tapes 10 - 11**

MEMBERS PRESENT: **Rep. Bill Garrard, Chair**
 Rep. Dennis Richardson, Vice-Chair
 Rep. Cliff Zauner, Vice-Chair
 Rep. Robert Ackerman
 Rep. Dan Doyle
 Rep. Mitch Greenlick
 Rep. Diane Rosenbaum

STAFF PRESENT: **Ray Kelly, Committee Administrator**
 David Peffley, Committee Assistant

MEASURES HEARD: **Informational meeting**
 HB 2137 - Invited testimony
 Buz Ortiz
 Ralph Groener
 Brad Witt
 HB 2257 - Public Hearing

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TAPE/#	Speaker	Comments
TAPE 10, A		
003	Chair Garrard	Calls the meeting to order at 8:35 and opens the informational meeting on HB 2137.
<u>HB 2137 – INFORMATIONAL MEETING</u>		
016	Ortiz	Construction company owner in the greater Portland area. Testifies in favor of HB 2137 in that it would allow him and other projects to develop and build low-income housing. States the financial impact to the economy as one to 2.6 million dollars.
153	Rep. Greenlick	Asks if the ordinance which Mr. Ortiz is concerned about was in place at the time he bought the property.
155	Ortiz	Responds that it was not.
157	Rep. Greenlick	Asked Mr. Ortiz what he thinks the reasons were for the implementation of those rules.
162	Ortiz	Responds that he doesn't know the reason for the ordinance. States the effects of the ordinance and how Measure 7 addressed those effects.
194	Rep. Zauner	Asks if Ortiz could live with the buffer of the stream if he were allowed to develop the rest of the property.
200	Ortiz	Responds that he could absolutely live with that.
207	Rep. Zauner	Asks when the rules changed.

210	Ortiz	Responds that the rules were implemented last December.
219	Ralph Groener	Representing AFSCME. Testifies that balance is integral in the process. Gives a historical overview of the taxation overhaul since 1973 in order to look for societal impact.
340	Groener	Asserts that we can't keep taking local dollars and shifting them to the state level and thus exacerbating local governments.
380	Rep. Zauner	Asks if we can simplify the permit process.
388	Groener	States that his group is working to help streamline this process and make it more consistent..

TAPE 11, A

001	Groener	Concludes testimony.
025	Brad Witt	Secretary-Treasurer AFL-CIO. Submits (EXHIBIT A) and testifies in opposition to HB 2137 as it will contribute to much legislation which will overburden the state.
076	Rep. Ackerman	Asks for examples in which land use planning enhances value of land.
083	Witt	Gives a personal example in which land use planning has increased the value of his land.
110	Chair Garrard	Closes the informational meeting and the public hearing on HB 2137. Announces the formation of two work groups under Rep. Zauner and Rep. Richardson to revisit and work further on HB 2137. Opens a public hearing on HB 2257.

HB 2257 – PUBLIC HEARING

148	Ray Kelly	Summarizes HB 2257.
163	Mike Carrier	Director, Oregon Parks and Recreation (OPR). Testifies in support of HB 2257 in order to give OPR the statutory authority to waive or reduce fees or permits.
183	Rep. Rosenbaum	Asks Mr. Carrier how often he would expect to have to invoke this provision.
188	Carrier	Responds that it would happen very infrequently.
196	Chair Garrard	Closes the public hearing on HB 2257 and adjourns the meeting at 9:18.

EXHIBIT SUMMARY

A – HB 2137, written testimony, Brad Witt, 2 pp.