

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON
ENVIRONMENT AND LAND USE

February 20, 2003 Hearing Room HR E
8:30 AM Tapes 23 - 24

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: HB 2158 – Work Session
 HB 2546 – Public Hearing and Work Session
 HB 2612 – 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 23, A		
003	Chair Garrard	Calls the meeting to order at 8:40 and opens a work session on HB 2158.
<u>HB 2158 – WORK SESSION</u>		
010	Ray Kelly	Summarizes the bill. Notes that HB 2158 contains a subsequent referral to Ways and Means and since there is no financial impact, the chair could make a motion to rescind the referral.
017	Rep. Greenlick	Asks to clarify the intent of the bill.
024	Kelly	Clarifies the language and intent of HB 2158.
033	Rep. Zauner	MOTION: Moves to RECONSIDER the vote by which "HB 2258 was referred to Ways and Means by subsequent referral".
036		VOTE: 7-0
037	Chair Garrard	Hearing no objection, declares the motion CARRIED.
039	Rep. Greenlick	MOTION: Moves HB 2158 to the floor with a DO PASS recommendation and the SUBSEQUENT REFERRAL to the committee on Ways and Means BE RESCINDED.
042	Chair Garrard	Hearing no objection, declares the motion CARRIED.
051	Rep. Doyle	MOTION: Moves HB 2158 be placed on the CONSENT CALENDAR.
057		VOTE: 7-0
059	Chair Garrard	Hearing no objection, declares the motion CARRIED.
061	Chair Garrard	Closes the work session on HB 2546 and opens a public hearing

on HB 2546.

HB 2546 – PUBLIC HEARING

068	Kelly	Summarizes HB 2546.
092	Susan Schneider	Office of Government Relations, City of Portland. Submits (EXHIBIT A) and testifies in favor of HB 2546 as standards would still remain high and the bill would save the taxpayers \$30,000 per year.
144	Rep. Zauner	Asks how often the government changes cars before they no longer qualify.
153	Roger Johnson	Replies that they keep vehicles longer than three to four years and that they test them every year.
163	Rep. Zauner	Asks how the vehicles perform on the test and adds that he would like to push back the scheduled testing times as far as possible.
166	Johnson	Responds that they all pass the test.
170	Rep. Zauner	Asks if we would save money if we did tests less often.
178	Johnson	Responds to the service schedule of the vehicles.
185	Rep. Richardson	Asks about the frequency of testing of vehicles in the private sector.
189	Schneider	Answers that they must get them checked every two years.
191	Chair Garrard	Clarifies the effects of the bill
197	Schneider	Replies that they have the vehicles tested every two years, but HB 2546 will just remove the exception.
200	Chair Garrard	Close the public hearing on HB 2546 and opens a work session on HB 2546.

HB 2546 – WORK SESSION

202	Rep. Rosenbaum	MOTION: Moves HB 2546 to the floor with a DO PASS recommendation.
206		VOTE: 7-0
210	Chair Garrard	Hearing no objection, declares the motion CARRIED.
211	Rep. Grenlick	MOTION: Moves HB 2546 be placed on the CONSENT CALENDAR.
214		VOTE: 7-0
216	Chair Garrard	Hearing no objection, declares the motion CARRIED.
217	Chair Garrard	Closes the work session on HB 2546 and opens a public hearing on HB 2612

HB 2612 – PUBLIC HEARING

218	Ray Kelly	Summarizes HB 2612.
232	Chair Garrard	Asks if this bill could create an unfunded mandate.
241	Kelly	Responds that it does affect local governments and thus it could possibly be determined to be one.
244	Randy Tucker	1000 Friends of Oregon. Submits (EXHIBIT B) and testifies in support of HB 2612 in that this bill corrects a simple housekeeping issue. Emphasizes that this bill will have a minimal cost and is justified by the need to notify the public.
316	Rep. Zauner	Asks if advertising is the only cost involved.
322	Tucker	Affirms that advertising is the only involved cost.
325	Rep. Greenlick	Asks if Line 13, Item C is new language.
329	Tucker	Responds that it is existing language in the county section of the bill.
335	Rep. Greenlick	Asks if that is a change from the present procedure.
337	Tucker	Responds that he doesn't know the answer to that specific question.

346	Chair Garrard	Adds that each city has its own charter.
351	Rep. Ackerman	States that he wants to clearly understand the legal issues. Asks how notice would be given if a town didn't have a newspaper.
357	Tucker	States that he doesn't know, but adds that most cities at least have a weekly newspaper.
373	Rep. Ackerman	Suggests that we need to do some work on this for the reason of notification.
387	Chair Garrard	States that we could consult Rep. Kruse, who wrote it.
396	Tucker	Testifies that he wants to work this issue out with the committee.
410	Rep. Richardson	Suggests an alternative wording to address the concerns of the committee.
TAPE 24, A		
007	Linda Ludwig	League of Oregon Cities. Submits (EXHIBIT C) and testifies in opposition to HB 2612. Suggests that this bill is a retread of current statute ORS 215.060 and feels that it is redundant and doesn't accomplish much and it would be costly to cities.
072	Rep. Richardson	Asks how extensive the complaints are.
076	Ludwig	States that there is not presently a big outcry.
083	Rep. Richardson	States that perhaps there isn't a problem which needs to be fixed, thus this legislation might be unnecessary.
092	Chair Garrard	Reminds the committee that the cost is to local government. Announces that he will ask Rep. Kruse to work with Mr. Tucker in re-crafting this legislation.
105	Chair Garrard	Closes the Public Hearing on HB 2612.
109	Rep. Richardson	Announces a meeting on HB 2137 on Monday, February 24, at 3:00 PM.
111	Chair Garrard	Adjourns the meeting at 9:15 AM.

EXHIBIT SUMMARY

- A – HB 2546, written testimony, Susan Schneider, 1 p.**
B – HB 2612, written testimony, Randy Tucker, 1 p.
C – HB 2612, written testimony, Linda Ludwig, 2 pp.