

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON
ENVIRONMENT AND LAND USE

May 06, 2003 Hearing Room E
9:00 AM Tapes 71 - 72

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 2791 – Work Session**
 SB 516 A – Work Session

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 71, A		
003	Chair Garrard	Calls the meeting to order at 9:06 and opens a work session on HB 2791.
HB 2791 - WORK SESSION		
015	Ray Kelly	Committee Administrator. Summarizes HB 2791.
028	John Lindsay	Linn County Commissioner. Submits (EXHIBIT A) and (EXHIBIT B) and speaks in favor of HB 2791.
044	Rep. Betsy Close	HD 15. Submits (EXHIBIT C) and offers support for HB 2791.
050	Lindsay	Refers to the trend of parks' responsibility shifting to cities and counties. Asserts that as more people visit these parks, more funding is required.
086	Brian Carroll	Linn County Parks and Recreation Director. Speaks to the need for county parks to receive the increased share of increased camping fees.
125	Rep. Greenlick	Asks about unfunded mandates in relation to this bill.
130	Lindsay	States that the people need more facilities and that HB 2791 is needed to provide those fees. Speaks to equitability.
174	Rep. Greenlick	Asks if equitability refers to number of campsites or the number of people.
180	Lindsay	Admits that is based on number of campsites.
190	Carroll	Claims that usage of county parks has increased dramatically.
212	Lindsay	Restates that people are now camping on roads due to lack of facilities.
222	Chair Garrard	References (EXHIBIT D) , submitted by Michael Carrier from Oregon Parks and Recreation Department (OPRD) and mentions the percentage of people in counties and the percentage of

228	Lindsay	campers which comes from that population. Questions the number of day users as opposed to that of campers and believes that OPRD's numbers don't count day users.
236	Chair Garrard	Observes that Jackson County will benefit best from this legislation.
248	Lindsay	Mentions the shortage of parks and migratory trends relating to the decrease in recreational facilities. Notes that county facilities are important to address this migration.
281	Chair Garrard	Asks if the monies are dedicated.
284	Carroll	States that different counties dedicate funds differently, but is confident that they are dedicated in this case.
301	Rep. Close	Corrects a figure in her written testimony.
310	Michael Carrier	OPRD. Speaks to the negative revenue impact on Oregon Parks and Recreation. Notes that their figures do not include day users either, thus asserts that the quoted statistic is accurate.
381	Rep. Rosenbaum	Asks about the possibility of increased fees.
387	Carrier	Notes that a governor's proposal could increase revenue, but adds that he has not seen the plan.
410	Randy Hutton	Parks Program Manager, Jackson County. Speaks to the financial impact of this bill not passing and the impact on Jackson County Parks. States that they wouldn't be asking for this bill if it would have an adverse effect on Oregon Parks.

TAPE 72, A

015	Hutton	Concludes his testimony.
021	Rep. Greenlick	Asks about the revenue impact on State Parks.
023	Hutton	Explains how he arrived at the figure.
025	Chair Garrard	Asks how the figure of 10% was arrived at.
027	Hutton	States that it was based on the number of campsites provided.
035	Rep. Rosenbaum	References a chart in (EXHIBIT A) and asks about the appropriation of funds.
038	Hutton	Speaks to the funding of campsites.
042	Rep. Rosenbaum	Notes that the figure keeps rising and asks about the effect of the continuation of this trend.
045	Hutton	Replies that they would likely increase by the same percentage.
048	Rep. Rosenbaum	Questions what the funds are needed for.
049	Hutton	Speaks to campsites falling into disrepair.
053	Chris Weyand	Addresses the need for revenue to keep services adequate.
073	Rep. Greenlick	Notes the financial impact of HB 2791, but that 60% of the revenue would go to counties with no campsites.
086	Weyand	Park Supervisor, Washington County. Addresses day users of county parks.
097	Rep. Greenlick	Corrects his figures for the record.
100	Larry Robinson	Coos County. Discusses the dearth of staffing at county parks vis-à-vis state parks. Addresses the need for grants in order to achieve self-sufficiency.
148	Mike McClaes	Park Supervisor, Clackamas County. Addresses the issue of fees dedicated to parks without camp sites as well as the need for funds.
204	Chair Garrard	Asks if the funds are dedicated.
206	McClaes	Responds that they are.
208	Rep. Ackerman	MOTION: Moves HB 2791 to the floor with a DO PASS recommendation and BE REFERRED to the committee on Ways and Means.
210	Rep. Rosenbaum	States concern for the effect on the state park system. Informs

224	Chair Garrard	the committee that she will vote nay.
229	Rep. Greenlick	Acknowledges that this bill is a difficult decision. VOTE: 4-2 AYE: 4 - Ackerman, Richardson, Zauner, Garrard NAY: 2 - Greenlick, Rosenbaum EXCUSED: 1 - Doyle The motion CARRIES.
230	Chair Garrard	
236	Chair Garrard	Closes the work session on HB 2791 and opens a work session on SB 516 A.
<u>SB 516 A- WORK SESSION</u>		
292	Chair Garrard	Announces the A4 amendments to SB 516 A (EXHIBIT E).
300	Harlan Levy	Oregon Realtors Association (OAR). Explains the effects of the -A4 amendments and states that they address the previous concerns.
307	Ross Day	States support for the A4 amendments.
311	Rep. Rosenbaum	Asks about the bullets in the amendments.
326	Randy Tucker	States that they do not support the A4 amendments. However they have drafted A5 amendments (EXHIBIT F) in order to clarify the language in order to address Rep. Richardson's concerns.
361	Chair Garrard	Cites the committee rule that amendments must go through legislative council forty-eight hours before a hearing.
364	Rep. Richardson	MOTION: Moves to ADOPT SB 516A-4 amendments dated 5/1/03.
367		VOTE: 6-1 AYE: 6 - Ackerman, Doyle, Greenlick, Richardson, Zauner, Garrard NAY: 1 - Rosenbaum The motion CARRIES.
369	Chair Garrard	
378	Rep. Richardson	MOTION: Moves SB 516A to the floor with a DO PASS AS AMENDED recommendation.
387		VOTE: 6-1 AYE: 6 - Ackerman, Doyle, Greenlick, Richardson, Zauner, Garrard NAY: 1 - Rosenbaum The motion CARRIES.
391	Chair Garrard	REP. RICHARDSON will lead the discussion on the floor.
407	Chair Garrard	Closes the public hearing on SB 516 A and adjourns the meeting at 10:04 A.M.

EXHIBIT SUMMARY

- A – HB 2791, written testimony, John Lindsay, 8 pp.**
- B – HB 2791, written information, John Lindsay, 1 p.**
- C – HB 2791, written testimony, Rep. Betsy Close, 1 p.**
- D – HB 2791, written testimony, Michael Carrier, 2 pp.**
- E – SB 516 A, -4 amendments, staff, 2 pp.**
- F – SB 516 A, -5 amendments, Randy Tucker, 3 pp.**