

HOUSE REVENUE COMMITTEE
February 14, 2003 9:00 AM STATE CAPITOL BUILDING

Members Present: Representative Lane Shetterly, Chair
Representative Wayne Scott, Vice Chair
Representative Joanne Verger, Vice Chair
Representative Phil Barnhart
Representative Vicki Berger
Representative Pat Farr
Representative Elaine Hopson
Representative Max Williams

Members Excused: Representative Mark Hass

Witness Present: Michelle Deister, Oregon League of Cities
Philip Bransford, Association of Oregon Counties
Gil Riddell, Association of Oregon Counties
Tony Hyde, Columbia County Commissioner
Jean Cowan, Lincoln County Commissioner
Hasina Squires, Special Districts Association of Oregon

Staff Present: Paul Warner, Legislative Revenue Office
Mazen Malik, Legislative Revenue Office
Tara Lantz, Committee Assistant

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004	Chair Shetterly	Calls meeting to order at 9:04 am.
017	Michelle Deister	Gives brief overview of presentation: City Government & Finance in Oregon (Exhibit 1, slide 1) and begins by discussing city demographics. Exhibit 1, slide 2.
049	Deister	Discusses city accountability. Exhibit 1, slide 3.
065	Deister	Discusses city authority. Exhibit 1, slide 4.
092	Deister	Discusses city revenues. Exhibit 1, slide 5.
108	Deister	Discusses city services and expenditures. Exhibit 1, slide 6.
126	Deister	Discusses challenges facing cities. Exhibit 1, slides 7-9.
167	Deister	Discusses the financial condition of Oregon cities (Exhibit 1, slides 10-11) taken from report called Diminishing Returns. Exhibit 2.
214	Deister	Discusses community distress signals. Exhibit 1, slides 12-14.
227	Deister	Gives recommendations for Legislative action. Exhibit 1, slide 15.
274	Rep. Farr	Asks if cities throughout the state are losing large employers. Discussion follows.
321	Rep. Verger	Asks about the use of franchise fees.

Discussion follows.

- 342 Gil Riddell Introduces Columbia and Lincoln County Commissioners and briefly discusses the Association of Oregon Counties.
- 370 Tony Hyde Gives overview of presentation: Oregon's State-County Partnership. Exhibit 3, slide 2.
- 393 Hyde Discusses Oregon's 36 Counties. Exhibit 3, slides 3-5.

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- 014 Jean Cowan Discusses shared state/county services. Exhibit 3, slides 6-7.
- 063 Cowan Discusses sources of county revenue. Exhibit 3, slide 8.
- 075 Cowan Discusses estimated county expenditures. Exhibit 3, slide 9.
- 079 Cowan Discusses revenue trends for property vs. income taxes. Exhibit 3, slide 10.
- 087 Hyde Discusses government benefits from local revenue authority. Exhibit 3, slide 11.
- 102 Hyde Discusses requirements for continuing the state/county partnership. Exhibit 3, slides 12-14.
- 116 Rep. Verger Asks about expenditures on parks.
Discussion follows.
- 169 Rep. Farr Asks about road expenditures.
Discussion follows.
- 211 Rep. Hopson Asks if the estimated expenditures are accurate for all counties.
- 217 Riddell Responds that each county has different needs and that there is probably variety.
Discussion follows.
- 246 Rep. Berger Asks how much of the revenue spent on health and welfare comes from transfers, state funds, and local sources.
Discussion follows.
- 286 Hasina Squires Discusses the Special Districts Association of Oregon. Exhibit 4.
- 301 Squires Discusses special districts.
- 330 Squires Discusses where special districts get their authority.
- 357 Squires Discusses types of special districts.
- 383 Squires Discusses where special districts generate revenue.
- 396 Squires Discusses where special districts are located.
- 413 Squires Discusses how special districts are staffed.

430	Squires	Discusses the budget sizes of special districts.
443	Squires	Discusses where special districts get revenue.
463	Squires	Discusses significant tax policy issues for special districts.
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034	Squires	Discusses trends in special districts.
106	Rep. Hopson	Asks how the special districts interact with the organizations that they don't represent. Discussion follows.
128	Rep. Verger	Meeting adjourned at ___10:03_ a.m.

Tape Log Submitted by,

Tara Lantz, Committee Assistant Reviewed by Kim Taylor James

Exhibit Summary:

1. Michelle Deister, City Government and Finance in Oregon, 9pp.
2. Michelle Deister, Diminishing Returns, 4pp.
3. Gil Riddell, Oregon's State-County partnership, 8pp.
4. Hasina Squires, Special Districts Association of Oregon, 19pp.