

## HOUSE COMMITTEE ON WATER

February 27, 2003 Hearing Room B  
8:30 A.M. Tapes 28 - 30

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**        Rep. Bob Jenson, Chair  
                                 Rep. Jackie Dingfelder, Vice-Chair  
                                 Rep. Jeff Kropf, Vice-Chair  
                                 Rep. Linda Flores  
                                 Rep. Jeff Kruse  
                                 Rep. Mike Schaufler  
                                 Rep. Carolyn Tomei

**STAFF PRESENT:**        Pete Test, Committee Administrator  
                                 Mike Reiley, Committee Assistant

**MEASURE/ISSUES HEARD:**        LC 3303 – Work Session  
                                 HB 2366 – Work Session  
                                 HB 2210 – Public Hearing  
                                 HB 2516 – Public Hearing  
                                 HB 2376 – Public Hearing

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<u>TAPE/#</u>	<u>Speaker</u>	<u>Comments</u>
<b>TAPE 28, A</b>		
003	Chair Jenson	Calls meeting to order at 8:38 a.m. Opens work session on Committee Measure Introduction, LC 3303.
<b><u>LC 3303 – WORK SESSION</u></b>		
015	Chair Jenson	<b>MOTION: Moves LC 3303 BE INTRODUCED as a committee bill.</b> <b>VOTE: 6-0</b> <b>EXCUSED: 1 – Kropf</b> <b>Hearing no objection, declares the motion CARRIED.</b>
<b><u>HB 2366 – WORK SESSION</u></b>		
017	Chair Jenson	
019	Pete Test	Committee Administrator. Summarizes HB 2366.
023	Rep. Kruse	<b>MOTION: Moves HB 2366 to the floor with a DO PASS recommendation and BE REFERRED to the committee on Ways and Means by prior reference.</b>
040	Rep. Dingfelder	Asks about water storage regarding HB 2366.
059	Adam Sussman	Water Resources Department. Explains water storage in HB 2366.
075	Rep. Dingfelder	Asks about criteria of prioritization.
093	Sussman	Explains criteria.
104	Chair Jenson	Offers clarification of HB 2366.
136	Rep. Schaufler	Comments on need and use regarding HB 2366.
149	Chair Jenson	Further comments on implementation of HB 2366.
161	Rep. Dingfelder	Notes that conservation is least expensive water supply source there is.

**VOTE: 7-0**

**AYE: In a roll call vote, all members present vote Aye. The motion CARRIES.**

184 Chair Jenson  
190 Chair Jenson

Closes work session on HB 2366. Opens public hearing on HB 2210.

**HB 2210 – PUBLIC HEARING**

192 Pete Test  
202 Adam Sussman

Committee Administrator. Summarizes HB 2210.  
Legislative Coordinator, Water Resources Department (WRD).  
Submits and summarizes prepared testimony in support of HB 2210 (**EXHIBIT A**).

276 Rep. Flores  
282 Sussman  
300 Chair Jenson  
302 Sussman  
317 Jerry Schmidt

Asks if WRD has solicited opinion for possible opposition.  
Explains work done by WRD with stakeholders on HB 2210.  
Asks who would receive increased revenue.  
Explains increased revenue.  
Oregon Groundwater Association. Testifies in support of HB 2210.

356 Rep. Dingfelder  
369 Sussman  
396 Rep. Dingfelder  
408 Schmidt

Asks about groundwater fee increase.  
Explains process of well construction permitting.  
Asks about permit cost and department costs.  
Explains costs and necessity for fee increase.

**TAPE 29, A**

009 Chair Jenson

Closes public hearing on HB 2210. Opens public hearing on HB 2516.

**HB 2516 – PUBLIC HEARING**

013 Pete Test  
020 Robin Brown

Committee Administrator. Summarizes HB 2516.  
Marine Mammal Research, Oregon Department of Fish & Wildlife (ODFW). Submits and summarizes prepared testimony regarding HB 2516 (**EXHIBIT B**).

117 Rep. Kruse  
128 Brown  
136 Rep. Kruse  
166 Brown  
173 Rep. Kruse  
180 Brown  
201 Rep. Kropf

Asks about specificity of language.  
Answers that specific language would be a good idea.  
Notes concerns about HB 2516 regarding species management.  
Responds to Rep Kruse's concerns.  
Asks about language in HB 2516.  
Offers clarification of language in HB 2516.  
Asks about extent of use of 1999 National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) study.

207 Brown  
233 Glen Stonebrink  
313 Greg Addington

Explains use of NMFS study.  
Executive Director, Oregon Cattlemen's Association. Testifies in support of HB 2516.  
Associate Director of Governmental Affairs, Oregon Farm Bureau. Submits and summarizes prepared testimony in support of HB 2516 (**EXHIBIT C**).

361 Stonebrink  
422 Steve Beyerlin

Explains species management techniques.  
Testifies in support of HB 2516. Presents example of sea lion attack.

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059 Phil Donovan  
085 Sybil Ackerman  
118 Rep. Kropf  
125 Ackerman  
128 Stephen Kafoury

Oregon Guides and Packers Association. Testifies in support of HB 2516.  
Conservation Director, Audubon Society of Portland. Testifies in regard to HB 2516 (**EXHIBIT D**).  
Asks about Columbia River channel deepening.  
Answers that Audubon Society does not have position on issue.  
The Wildlife Society - Oregon Chapter. Offers background of organization. Introduces Warren Aney.

146	Warren Aney	Chair, Conservation Affairs Committee, The Wildlife Society – Oregon Chapter. Submits and summarizes prepared testimony regarding HB 2516 <b>(EXHIBIT E)</b> .
218	Rep. Kropf	Asks about non-lethal means of pinniped management.
230	Rep. Kruse	Describes possible pinniped management tools addressed in HB 2516.
258	Rep. Kropf	Expresses concern about management techniques.
300	Chair Jenson	Concurs with Rep. Kropf’s concerns.
311	Rep. Kruse	Concurs and notes how they are related to HB 2516.
318	Rep. Schaufler	Concurs.
348	Chair Jenson	Closes public hearing on HB 2516. Opens public hearing on HB 2376.

**HB 2376 – PUBLIC HEARING**

360	Pete Test	Committee Administrator. Summarizes HB 2376.
392	Glen Stonebrink	Executive Director, Oregon Cattlemen’s Association. Testifies in support of HB 2376.

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031	Rep. Tomei	Asks about funding from Oregon Watershed Enhancement Board (OWEB) for ranchers to install fencing.
033	Stonebrink	Explains relationship of OWEB to programs.
051	Rep. Kropf	Asks how much money would be saved by abolishing OWEB.
054	Stonebrink	Answers that he does not know.
069	Hal Salwasser	Dean of College of Forestry, Oregon State University. Submits and summarizes prepared testimony in opposition to HB 2376 <b>(EXHIBIT F)</b> .
125	Jim Myron	Natural Resource Policy Advisor, Governor’s Office. Submits and summarizes prepared testimony in opposition to HB 2376 <b>(EXHIBIT G)</b> .
151	Rep. Kruse	Addresses possibility of consolidating natural resource agencies.
156	Rep. Kropf	Asks about duplication of effort that could be eliminated.
161	Myron	Answers that it should be examined.
166	Chair Jenson	Expresses support for pursuing consolidation of natural resource agencies.
179	Phil Donovan	Northwest Sportfishing Industry. Testifies in opposition to HB 2376.
221	Rep. Kruse	Explains management techniques and their application.
235	Ray Wilkeson	Oregon Forest Industries Council. Testifies in opposition to HB 2376.
279	Rep. Kruse	Notes that it is not intent of HB 2376 to diminish salmon recovery efforts.
297	Rep. Wayne Krieger	House District 1. Expresses concerns about HB 2376.
353	Hilary Abraham	Director of Government Relations, Nature Conservancy of Oregon. Submits and summarizes prepared testimony in opposition to HB 2376 <b>(EXHIBIT H)</b> .

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010	Rick Allison	Natural Resource Manager, Linn County. Testifies in opposition to HB 2376.
068	Tom Wolf	Chair, Oregon Council Trout Unlimited and Tualatin River Watershed Council. Submits and summarizes prepared testimony in opposition to HB 2376 <b>(EXHIBIT I)</b> .
097	Jerry Hinsvark	Chair, Pudding River Watershed Council. Testifies in opposition to HB 2376.
209	Bruce Taylor	Director, Oregon Biodiversity Program, Defenders of Wildlife. Submits and summarizes prepared testimony in opposition to HB 2376.

2376 (**EXHIBIT J**).

Enters testimony from Native Fish Society (**EXHIBIT K**) and City of Eugene (**EXHIBIT L**) into record. Closes public hearing on HB 2376. Adjourns meeting at 10:48 a.m.

### **EXHIBIT SUMMARY**

**A – HB 2210, written testimony, Adam Sussman, 2 pp**

**B – HB 2516, written testimony, Robin Brown, 2 pp**

**C – HB 2516, written testimony, Greg Addington, 2 pp**

**D – HB 2516, written testimony, Sybil Ackerman, 2 pp**

**E – HB 2516, written testimony, Warren Aney, 2 pp**

**F – HB 2376, written testimony & The Oregon Plan for Salmon and Watersheds: A Perspective, Hal Salwasser, 45 pp**

**G – HB 2376, written testimony, Jim Myron, 1 p**

**H – HB 2376, written testimony, Hilary Abraham, 3 pp**

**I – HB 2376, written testimony, Tom Wolf, 2 pp**

**J – HB 2376, written testimony, Bruce Taylor, 2 pp**

**K – HB 3276, written testimony, Les Helgeson, 1 p**

**L – HB 2376, written testimony, Seth Karpinski, 2 pp**