

## CONFERENCE COMMITTEE ON HB 3020B

July 15, 2003 Hearing Room C  
3:30 PM Tapes 1

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**        **Rep. Tim Knopp, Chair**  
                                  **Rep. Jeff Barker**  
                                  **Rep. Alan Brown**  
                                  **Sen. Tony Corcoran**  
                                  **Sen. John Minnis**

**STAFF PRESENT:**        **Mark Ellsworth, Committee Administrator**  
                                  **Linda K. Gatto, Committee Assistant**  
                                  **Ryan Sherlock, Committee Assistant**

**MEASURE HEARD:**        **HB 3020B Work Session**

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<u>TAPE/#</u>	<u>Speaker</u>	<u>Comments</u>
<b>TAPE 1, A</b>		
003	Chair Knopp	Calls the conference committee meeting to order at 3:35 p.m. and opens a work session on HB 3020B.
<b><u>HB 3020B WORK SESSION</u></b>		
010	Dave Heynderickx	Senior Deputy, Legislative Counsel. Offers a description of the -B18 amendments ( <b>EXHIBIT A</b> ).
035	Heynderickx	Offers a description of the -B19 amendments ( <b>EXHIBIT B</b> ).
060	Chair Knopp	Clarifies that the -B19 amendments would help stem lawsuits by Public Employee Retirement System (PERS) members.
062	Heynderickx	Comments on the possible lawsuits and how the amendments relate to this issue. Offers a description of the -B21 amendments ( <b>EXHIBIT C</b> ).
090	Sen. Corcoran	Questions who is covered by the -B21 amendments.
095	Heynderickx	Comments on the clarification. Continues with testimony regarding the -B21 amendments.
105	Rep. Barker	Asks why the amendments limit the size of the county which is affected.
110	Heynderickx	Comments on the reasoning for limiting the size of the county in context to the bill. Continues with testimony and description of the -B22 amendments ( <b>EXHIBIT D</b> ).
165	Jim Voytko	Executive Director, Oregon Public employees Retirement System. Offers written testimony ( <b>EXHIBIT E</b> ) regarding HB 3020B and the proposed amendments. Explains why 87 employers under the new PERS system had rate increases upon passage of the previous PERS laws.
260	Sen. Corcoran	Clarifies that every one of the 87 employers who saw their rates rise, could have entered into the newly created PERS pool.
270	Voytko	Acknowledges.
275	Sen. Corcoran	Clarifies that allowing the amendments will not affect any pooled or non-pooled employer's rates.
277	Voytko	Acknowledges, and further comments on the effects of the amendments.

280	Sen. Corcoran	Indicates his intention to support the amendment, but points out the previous opportunity for those 87 employers to join the pool, which they refused.
280	Chair Knopp	Asks whether there is evidence that, had those 87 employers been in the pool, their rates would have gone down.
285	Voytko	Acknowledges, and further discusses the possibility of those employers' rates going down. Continues with testimony regarding the proposed amendments.
335	Chair Knopp	Recesses the meeting at 3:58 p.m.
<b>RECESS</b>		
337	Chair Knopp	Calls the conference committee meeting back to order at 4:00 p.m.
340	Sen. Corcoran	Indicates his intent to vote Aye on the amendments, but expresses his concerns with the amendments.
355	Rep. Knopp	Comments on Sen. Corcoran's concerns.
405	Rep. Brown	<b>MOTION: Moves to ADOPT HB 3020B-B18 amendments dated 07/14/03.</b>
		<b>VOTE: 5-0</b>
	Chair Knopp	<b>Hearing no objection, declares the motion CARRIED.</b>
410	Rep. Brown	<b>MOTION: Moves to ADOPT HB 3020B-B19 amendments dated 07/14/03.</b>
		<b>VOTE: 5-0</b>
	Chair Knopp	<b>Hearing no objection, declares the motion CARRIED.</b>
415	Rep. Brown	<b>MOTION: Moves to ADOPT HB 3020B-B21 amendments dated 07/15/03.</b>
420	Rep. Barker	Further questions the reason for limiting the scope of the amendments by size of the county.
425	Chair Knopp	Comments on the concerns expressed by Rep. Barker.
430	Rep. Barker	Further comments his concerns, but indicates his intention to support the amendment.
435		<b>VOTE: 5-0</b>
	Chair Knopp	<b>Hearing no objection, declares the motion CARRIED.</b>
440	Rep. Brown	<b>MOTION: Moves to ADOPT HB 3020B-B22 amendments dated 07/15/03.</b>
		<b>VOTE: 5-0</b>
	Chair Knopp	<b>Hearing no objection, declares the motion CARRIED.</b>
450	Rep. Brown	<b>MOTION: Moves HB 3020B to the floor with the recommendation that the House CONCUR in Senate amendments dated 07/02/03 and that the bill be FURTHER AMENDED and the measure be REPASSED.</b>
455		<b>VOTE: 5-0</b>
	Chair Knopp	<b>AYE: In a roll call vote, all members present vote Aye. The motion CARRIES.</b>
		<b>REP. KNOPP AND SEN. CORCORAN will lead discussion on the floors.</b>
460	Committee	Discusses who will carry the bill in either chamber.
470	Chair Knopp	Closes the conference committee on HB 3020B, and adjourns the meeting at 4:10 p.m.

**EXHIBIT SUMMARY**

- A – HB 3020B, -B18 amendments, staff, 2 pp.**
- B – HB 3020B, -B19 amendments, staff, 2 pp.**
- C – HB 3020B, -B21 amendments, staff, 1 p.**
- D – HB 3020B, -B22 amendments, staff, 3 pp.**
- E – HB 3020B, written testimony, Jim Voytko, 3 pp.**