

# SENATE COMMITTEE ON BUSINESS AND LABOR

April 28, 2003  
1:00 PM

Hearing Room C  
Tape 67

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Sen. Vicki Walker, Vice-Chair  
Sen. Roger Beyer  
Sen. Rick Metsger

**MEMBER EXCUSED:** Sen. David Nelson, Chair

**STAFF PRESENT:** Dennis Dotson, Committee Administrator  
Romy Dye, Committee Assistant

**MEASURE/ISSUES HEARD:** SB 419 – Work Session  
SB 609 – Public Hearing and Work Session  
SB 604 – Work Session  
HB 2908 – Public Hearing and Work Session  
HB 2925 – Public Hearing and Work Session  
HB 2624 – Public Hearing

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<u>TAPE/#</u>	<u>Speaker</u>	<u>Comments</u>
<b>TAPE 67, A</b>		
005	Vice-Chair Walker	Calls the committee to order at 1:15 PM. Opens a work session on SB 419.
<b><u>SB 419 – WORK SESSION</u></b>		
007	Dennis Dotson	Committee Administrator. Provides an overview of SB 419 with - 7 amendments.
014	Dick Pederson	Administrator of Land Quality Division, Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ). Provides explanation of -7 amendments in support of SB 419.
056	Vice-Chair Walker	Clarifies DEQ is not being hamstrung by capping fees.
058	Pederson	Responds DEQ is not believed to be hamstrung and it will allow ability to move forward and work on a program rather than work two years in the interim to figure out what fee structure would be.
063	Sen. Beyer	Asks if a 1% fee is going to be put on dry cleaning.
065	Pederson	Responds yes there will be a 1% fee on gross revenue of dry cleaner services in SB 419.
067	Sen. Beyer	Asks if fee on the chemical will be eliminated.
069	Pederson	Responds the fee structure will change. Describes various fees.
085	Sen. Beyer	<b>MOTION: Moves to ADOPT SB 419-7 amendments dated 04/28/03. (EXHIBIT E)</b>
088		<b>VOTE: 3-0</b>
		<b>EXCUSED: 1 - Chair Nelson</b>
	Vice-Chair Walker	<b>Hearing no objection, declares the motion CARRIED.</b>
093	Sen. Beyer	<b>MOTION: Moves SB 419 to the floor with a DO PASS AS AMENDED recommendation.</b>
098		<b>VOTE: 3-0</b>
		<b>AYE: In a roll call vote, all members present vote Aye.</b>

	<b>Vice-Chair Walker</b>	<b>EXCUSED: 1 - Chair Nelson</b>
		<b>The motion CARRIES.</b>
108	Vice-Chair Walker	<b>SEN. HARPER will lead discussion on the floor.</b> Closes the work session on SB 419 and opens a public hearing on SB 609.
<b><u>SB 609 – PUBLIC HEARING</u></b>		
116	Kate Brown	Oregon State Senator. Provides an introduction of SB 609 with changes. Comments at this time no known objections to the bill.
132	Scott Shorr	Stoll & Stoll, Attorney at Law. Testifies in favor of SB 609. Discusses changes to SB 609. Submits written testimony <b>(EXHIBIT A)</b> .
163	Vice-Chair Walker	Asks whether -3 amendments are reflective of all the changes that have been made.
166	Shorr	Responds correct.
171	Vice-Chair Walker	Closes the public hearing on SB 609 and opens a work session on SB 609.
<b><u>SB 609 – WORK SESSION</u></b>		
176	Sen. Metsger	<b>MOTION: Moves to ADOPT SB 609-3 amendments dated 04/28/03. (EXHIBIT F)</b>
180		<b>VOTE: 3-0</b> <b>AYE: In a roll call vote, all members present vote Aye.</b>
	<b>Vice-Chair Walker</b>	<b>EXCUSED: 1 - Chair Nelson</b>
185	Sen. Metsger	<b>The motion CARRIES.</b> <b>MOTION: Moves SB 609 to the floor with a DO PASS AS AMENDED recommendation.</b>
189		<b>VOTE: 3-0</b> <b>AYE: In a roll call vote, all members present vote Aye.</b>
	<b>Vice-Chair Walker</b>	<b>EXCUSED: 1 - Chair Nelson</b>
193	Vice-Chair Walker	<b>The motion CARRIES.</b> <b>SEN. BROWN will lead discussion on the floor.</b> Closes the work session on SB 609 and opens a work session on SB 604.
<b><u>SB 604 – WORK SESSION</u></b>		
197	Dotson	Provides an overview of SB 604 with -1 & -3 amendments.
205	Darrell Fuller	Oregon Auto Dealers Association. Testifies in favor of SB 604. Describes and recommends adoption of -1 and -3 amendments. Submits written testimony <b>(EXHIBIT B)</b> .
221	Larry Campbell	General Motors & Association of Automobile Manufacturers. States SB 604 would be corrected with -1 & -3 amendments.
230	Sen. Metsger	<b>MOTION: Moves to ADOPT SB 604-1 amendments dated 4/16/03.</b>
		<b>VOTE: 3-0 (EXHIBIT G)</b>
	<b>Vice-Chair Walker</b>	<b>EXCUSED: 1 - Chair Nelson</b>
240	Sen. Metsger	<b>Hearing no objection, declares the motion CARRIED.</b> <b>MOTION: Moves to ADOPT SB 604-3 amendments dated 4/23/03.</b>
245		<b>VOTE: 3-0 (EXHIBIT H)</b>
	<b>Vice-Chair Walker</b>	<b>EXCUSED: 1 - Chair Nelson</b>
250	Sen. Metsger	<b>Hearing no objection, declares the motion CARRIED.</b> <b>MOTION: Moves SB 604 to the floor with a DO PASS AS AMENDED recommendation.</b>
253		<b>VOTE: 3-0</b>

	<b>Vice-Chair Walker</b>	<b>AYE: In a roll call vote, all members present vote Aye.</b>
		<b>EXCUSED: 1 - Chair Nelson</b>
		<b>The motion CARRIES.</b>
		<b>SEN. METSGER will lead discussion on the floor.</b>
256	Vice-Chair Walker	Closes the work session on SB 604 and opens a public hearing on HB 2908.
<b><u>HB 2908 – PUBLIC HEARING</u></b>		
264	Dotson	Provides an overview of HB 2908.
269	John Powell	State Farm Insurance. Testifies in favor of HB 2908. Discusses purpose of HB 2908. Encourages promoting foreign language advertising. Submits written testimony ( <b>EXHIBIT C</b> ).
293	Sen. Metsger	Asks what the issue is being identified that needs clarification.
298	Powell	Responds in this case there is no issue in Oregon.
304	Sen. Metsger	Asks if there have been issues in other states.
310	Powell	Responds not necessarily directly related to insurance but there can be an issue in the area of advertising as there have been lawsuits in the past.
313	Vice-Chair Walker	Closes the public hearing on HB 2908 and opens a work session on HB 2908.
<b><u>HB 2908 – WORK SESSION</u></b>		
319	Sen. Beyer	<b>MOTION: Moves HB 2908 to the floor with a DO PASS recommendation.</b>
325		<b>VOTE: 3-0</b>
		<b>AYE: In a roll call vote, all members present vote Aye.</b>
		<b>EXCUSED: 1 - Chair Nelson</b>
	<b>Vice-Chair Walker</b>	<b>The motion CARRIES.</b>
		<b>SEN. BEYER will lead discussion on the floor.</b>
330	Vice-Chair Walker	Closes the work session on HB 2908 and opens a public hearing on HB 2925.
<b><u>HB 2925 – PUBLIC HEARING</u></b>		
332	Dotson	Provides an overview of HB 2925.
342	Jack Barnes	Farmer's Insurance. Testifies in favor of HB 2925. Explains purpose of the bill. Submits written testimony ( <b>EXHIBIT D</b> ).
364	Sen. Metsger	Asks how insurance company reacts within sixty day period if signature not obtained.
368	Barnes	Responds if there is no signature then the customer receives higher limits.
371	Vice-Chair Walker	Feels sixty days is too long to have to make a decision but willing to go with it if that is what others want.
384	Barnes	Elaborates on sixty day period.
387	Vice-Chair Walker	Closes the public hearing on HB 2925 and opens a work session on HB 2925.
<b><u>HB 2925 – WORK SESSION</u></b>		
393	Sen. Beyer	<b>MOTION: Moves HB 2925 to the floor with a DO PASS recommendation.</b>
398		<b>VOTE: 3-0</b>
		<b>AYE: In a roll call vote, all members present vote Aye.</b>
		<b>EXCUSED: 1 - Chair Nelson</b>
	<b>Vice-Chair Walker</b>	<b>The motion CARRIES.</b>
		<b>VICE-CHAIR WALKER will lead discussion on the floor.</b>
404	Vice-Chair Walker	Closes the work session on HB 2925 and opens a public hearing on HB 2624.
<b><u>HB 2624 – PUBLIC HEARING</u></b>		
416	Vice-Chair Walker	Closes the public hearing on HB 2624. Adjourns the committee

meeting at 1:40 PM.

**EXHIBIT SUMMARY**

- A – SB 609, written testimony, Scott Shorr, 1 p**
- B – SB 604, written testimony, Darrell Fuller, 1 p**
- C – HB 2908, written testimony, John Powell, 1 p**
- D – HB 2925, written testimony, Jack Barnes, 1 p**

**The following exhibits are listed out of order in the tape log:**

- E – SB 419, -7 amendments dated 4/28/03, staff, 35 pp**
- F – SB 609, -3 amendments dated 4/28/03, staff, 4 pp**
- G – SB 604, -1 amendments dated 4/16/03, staff, 1 p**
- H – SB 604, -3 amendments dated 4/23/03, staff, 1 p**