

SENATE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

April 24, 2003
3:00 PM

Hearing Room C
Tapes 66-67

MEMBERS PRESENT: **Sen. Charles Starr, Chair**
 Sen. Ryan Deckert, Vice-Chair
 Sen. Ted Ferrioli
 Sen. Bill Morrisette

STAFF PRESENT: **Jan McComb, Committee Administrator**
 Heather Gravelle, Committee Assistant

MEASURE/ISSUES HEARD: **HB 2450 A – Public Hearing and Work Session**
 SB 370 – Public Hearing

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<u>TAPE/#</u>	<u>Speaker</u>	<u>Comments</u>
TAPE 66, A		
005	Chair Starr	Calls the committee to order at 3:00 p.m. Opens a public hearing on HB 2450 A.
<u>HB 2450 A – PUBLIC HEARING</u>		
010	Rep. Deborah Kafoury	District 43. Testifies in support of HB 2450 A. Expresses the intent of HB 2450 A. States it passed the House floor unanimously. Refers to the –A10 amendments.
020	Rep. Kafoury	Explains HB 2450 A will help needy families break out of economic dependency, by providing them the education they need.
030	Rep. Vic Backlund	District 25. Testifies in support of HB 2450 A. States no one has actively opposed the bill. Emphasizes the importance of education.
040	Rep. Backlund	Mentions HB 2450 A was patterned after the state of Maine. Adds Oregon is moving forward by encouraging mothers to obtain an education.
050	Shawn Cleave	Policy Analyst, for Sen. Bev Clarno. Testifies in support of HB 2450 A. Provides written testimony (EXHIBIT A). States Sen. Clarno believes HB 2450 A is a good policy decision.
055	Cleave	Adds Sen. Clarno believes HB 2450 A is a positive step towards ending the cycle of poverty and the need for public assistance.
060	Rocky Dallum	Oregon Students of Color Coalition. Testifies in support of HB 2450 A. Explains HB 2450 A will help the people who would like to improve the lives of their families and break the cycle of hardship and poverty for the next generations.

100	Cassandra Garrison	Oregon Food Bank, Public Policy Manager. Testifies in support of HB 2450 A. Explains her own personal experience. Shares her journey and where she is today. States she was homeless with a baby in 1989. Mentions who assisted her along the way. Adds the most important part of her journey, was to apply to attend Portland Community College.
135	Garrison	States she is a good role model for her daughter, and a positive example of what is possible. Serves as a constant reminder that success can happen to anyone with the proper assistance. Adds that education opened the door for a brighter future.
165	Garrison	Notes the assistance she received from the State of Oregon. States without the opportunity to obtain an education, she would still be where she was 14 years ago.
190	Sen. Deckert	Comments Garrison had very moving testimony. Mentions the state of Oregon is at a turning point. Adds the Government can play a protective role to assist citizens to obtain freedom and fulfilling their potential.
210	Marcia Kelley	Lobbyist for Women’s Rights Coalition. Testifies in support of HB 2450 A. Comments HB 2450 A will help to change lives. Provides statistics. States that 90% of participants who graduate, do not return to receiving benefits. States the ones who went through the program are receiving up to four dollars more an hour than those who don’t. Comments it will add taxable income for the state of Oregon.
250	Marie Hoeven	Children First for Oregon, Executive Director. Testifies in support of HB 2450 A. Explains she is very enthusiastic regarding the bill. Comments those who are living in poverty will have the opportunity to rise above. Mentions the state of Main and their success.
280	Martin Taylor	Oregon Law Center. Testifies in support of HB 2450 A. Mentions the need to recognize the people in the state who are poor. Adds HB 2450 A is a beacon of hope for the people. Comments this is an opportunity for them to change their situation. Notes there is no opposition to HB 2450 A.
310	Bev Logan	Citizen of Oregon. Testifies in support of HB 2450 A. Explains personal experience. Notes she was a Single parent in poverty, trying to pursue an education. Explains when you are in the midst of poverty, your hope vanishes.
345	Logan	Describes without assistance from many sources, she would have been unable to pursue a better future for herself and her children. States she hasn’t received state assistance for 10 years. Declares her children have benefited by seeing her as an example, by watching her study and plan her time accordingly.
400	Logan	Summarizes there is no better investment Oregon can make than offering the means for people to pursue and education to break the cycles of poverty. Adds education is the key for generations to come.
405	Chair Starr	Closes the public hearing on HB 2450 A. Opens a work session on HB 2450 A.

TAPE 67, A

HB 2450 A – WORK SESSION

010	Sen. Ferrioli	MOTION: Moves adoption of the -A10 amendments to HB 2450.
		VOTE: 4-0 (EXHIBIT G)
015	Chair Starr	Hearing no objection, declares the motion CARRIED.
020	Sen. Ferrioli	MOTION: Moves HB 2450 A to the floor with a DO PASS AS AMENDED recommendation.
		VOTE: 4-0
	Chair Starr	Hearing no objection declares the motion CARRIED.
030	Chair Starr	Closes the work session on HB 2450 A. Opens a public hearing on SB 370.

SB 370 – PUBLIC HEARING

035	Sandra Bishop	Driving School Association of Oregon. Testifies in support of SB 370. Provides written testimony (EXHIBIT D). Explains position and provides statistics.
060	Bishop	Continues explaining why she is supportive of SB 370. States the intent of SB 370. Explains each amendment. Adds there needs to be both a law and an administrative rule to cover the issues.
100	George Doddington	Oregon Driver Training Institute. Testifies in support of SB 370. Provides written testimony (EXHIBIT E). Explains position. States the availability of driver's schools will be in danger. States the positive outcome once SB 370 passes.
135	Richard Ubel	Driving School Association of Oregon. Testifies in support of SB 370. Provides written testimony (EXHIBIT F).
150	Kathy Heaton	Scars Driving School. Testifies in support of SB 370. Explains the need to pass SB 370. States own personal experience owning her own driving school business. Expresses how difficult it is to find and keep qualified instructors, due to the continuing education requirements.
215	Chair Starr	Comments SB 370 is not ready to move forward at this point. Closes the public hearing on SB 370. Adjourns the meeting at 4:00 p.m.

EXHIBIT SUMMARY

- A – HB 2450, written testimony, Sen. Beverly Clarno, 1 p**
- B – HB 2450, additional written testimony for the record, O.C.C.A, 1 p**
- C – HB 2450, additional written testimony for the record, Rep. Mitch Greenlick, 1 p**
- D – SB 370, written testimony, Sandra Bishop, 1 p**
- E – SB 370, written testimony, George Doddington, 1 p**
- F – SB 370, written testimony, Richard Ubel, 2 pp**

The following exhibit is listed out of order in the body of the tape log:

- G – HB 2450A, -10 amendments dated 04-24-03, staff, 1 p**