

SENATE COMMITTEE ON GENERAL GOVERNMENT

April 14, 2003
3:00 p.m.

Hearing Room B
Tapes 41-42

MEMBERS PRESENT: **Sen. Tony Corcoran, Chair**
 Sen. John Minnis, Vice-Chair
 Sen. Bruce Starr
 Sen. Vicki Walker

STAFF PRESENT: **Mark Ellsworth, Committee Administrator**
 Heather Gravelle, Committee Assistant

MEASURE/ISSUES HEARD: **HB 2343 - Public Hearing and Work Session**
 HB 2676 – Public Hearing and Work Session
 HB 3026 – Public Hearing and Work Session
 HB 2624 – Work Session
 SB 783 – Work Session
 HB 2227 A – Public Hearing and Work Session
 HB 2818 – Public Hearing

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TAPE/#	Speaker	Comments
TAPE 41, A		
005	Chair Corcoran	Calls the meeting to order at 3:10 p.m. Opens a public hearing on HB 2343.
<u>HB 2343 – PUBLIC HEARING</u>		
010	Mark Ellsworth	Committee Administrator. Provides an overview of HB 2343.
020	Rep. Bob Jenson	District 58. Testifies in support of HB 2343. Explains the background and provides information on where the bill originated.
055	Steve Delaney	PERS, Legislative Liaison. Explains HB 2343 is the Judges Retirement Fund. Provides written testimony (EXHIBIT A).
065	Delaney	Explains in 2001 HB 3366 was passed to ease restrictions on account withdrawal for PERS judge members. Adds that bill did not address the limitations of inactive judge members with dormant accounts. States HB 2343 will remedy that situation.
075	Delaney	Expresses the committee needs to go on record as to the intent of the specific section 1 (7), line 19. Refers members to distributed written testimony.
090	Chair Corcoran	Closes the public hearing on HB 2343. Opens a work session on HB 2343.
The following prepared testimony is submitted for the record without public testimony for SB 783.		
	Dan Gardner	Submits written testimony (EXHIBIT B).
<u>HB 2343 – WORK SESSION</u>		
095	Sen. Starr	MOTION: Moves HB 2343 to the floor with a DO PASS recommendation.
		VOTE: 4-0
100	Chair Corcoran	Hearing no objection, declares the motion CARRIED.

105 Chair Corcoran **SEN. STARR will lead discussion on the floor.**
Closes the work session on HB 2343. Opens a public hearing on HB 2676 and HB 3026.

HB 2676 & HB 3026 PUBLIC HEARING

125 Rep. Lane Shetterly District 23. Testifies in support of HB 2676. Provides background and history. Explains the intent is to correct a boundary error in Polk and Yamhill counties. Adds both counties have agreed on the corrected boundary.

130 Rep. Lane Shetterly District 23. Testifies in support of HB 3026. Provides background and history. Explains the concern comes from the Polk County Fair Board. States the fair is having funding issues.

135 Chair Corcoran Closes the public hearings on HB 2676 & HB 3026. Opens a work session on HB 2676.

HB 2676 – WORK SESSION

140 Sen. Walker **MOTION: Moves HB 2676 to the floor with a DO PASS recommendation.**

VOTE: 4-0

145 Chair Corcoran **Hearing no objection, declares the motion CARRIED.**

SEN. STARR will lead discussion on the floor.

150 Chair Corcoran Closes the work session on HB 2676. Opens a work session on HB 3026.

HB 3026 – WORK SESSION

155 Sen. Starr **MOTION: Moves HB 3026 to the floor with a DO PASS recommendation.**

VOTE: 4-0

160 Chair Corcoran **Hearing no objection, declares the motion CARRIED.**

SEN. WALKER will lead discussion on the floor.

165 Chair Corcoran Closes the work session on HB 3026. Opens a work session on HB 2624.

HB 2624 – WORK SESSION

170 Sen. Minnis **MOTION: Moves HB 2624 BE RE-REFERRED to the Senate President WITHOUT RECOMMENDATION as to passage and BE REFERRED to the committee on Business and Labor.**

VOTE: 4-0

175 Chair Corcoran **Hearing no objection, declares the motion CARRIED.**

177 Chair Corcoran Closes the work session on HB 2624. Opens a work session on SB 783.

SB 783 – WORK SESSION

180 Mark Ellsworth Committee Administrator. Provides an overview of SB 783, and the -1 and -2 amendments.

185 Sen. Ginny Burdick District 18. Testifies in support of SB 783, with the -1 amendments. Provides memo from Greg Chaimov, Legislative Counsel. **(EXHIBIT C)**.

205 Sen. Burdick Adds the intent of the bill is to send a message to businesses that they need to be supportive to nursing mothers.

230 Julie Brandis AOI. Testifies against SB 783. Explains what portions of the bill she feels are problematic. Expresses the potential legal problems.

285 Chair Corcoran Seeks clarification for the record, regarding Greg Chaimov’s memo.

290 Sen. Burdick Responds and states she requested Legislative Counsel draft a legal opinion in response to concern over providing a special room for the nursing mother.

295 Sen. Burdick Explains it was determined that companies won’t have to do new construction to comply with SB 783.

300 **Sen. Walker** **MOTION: Moves adoption of the -1 amendments to SB 783. VOTE: 4-0**

305 **Chair Corcoran** **Hearing no objection, declares the motion CARRIED.**
Sen. Walker **MOTION: Moves SB 783 to the floor with a DO PASS AS AMENDED recommendation. VOTE: 4-0**

325 **Chair Corcoran** **Hearing no objection, declares the motion CARRIED.**
SEN. BURDICK will lead discussion on the floor.

340 Chair Corcoran Closes the work session on SB 783. Opens a public hearing on HB 2227 A.

HB 2227 A – PUBLIC HEARING

355 Mark Ellsworth Committee Administrator. Provides an overview on HB 2227 A.

360 Roy Hemmingway Chair, Public Utility Commission. Testifies in support of HB 2227 A.

365 Rick Willis Executive Director, Public Utility Commission. Testifies in support of HB 2227 A. Explains the bill, how it originated, and what the intent is.

400 Chair Corcoran Closes the public hearing on HB 2227 A. Opens a work session on HB 2227 A.

HB 2227 A – WORK SESSION

405 **Sen. Minnis** **MOTION: Moves HB 2227 A to the floor with a DO PASS recommendation. VOTE: 4-0**

410 **Chair Corcoran** **Hearing no objection, declares the motion CARRIED.**
SEN. CORCORAN will lead discussion on the floor.

415 Chair Corcoran Closes the work session on HB 2227 A. Opens a public hearing on HB 2818.

HB 2818 – PUBLIC HEARING

TAPE 42, A

005	Burton Weast	Special Districts Association of Oregon. Testifies in support of HB 2818. Provides written testimony (EXHIBIT D).
010	Weast	Explains the background and history of HB 2818. States it is a trend as local governments attempt to become more cost effective. Adds current statute treats special district annexing of cities different than cities annexing special districts.
045	Sen. Minnis	Asks if an intergovernmental agreement would work in this circumstance.
060	Alec Jensen	Executive Director, Oregon Tualatin Fire and Rescue. Testifies in support of HB 2818. States the intergovernmental agreements are short term only. Explains they don't address the long term issues.
065	Sen. Minnis	Inquires if you do annex, will the population of the city pay for the police or fire service.
070	Jensen	Answers, not necessarily. Explains how the process works. Stresses the emphasis is for long term planning.
110	Sen. Minnis	Asks if the city is requesting the annexation.
115	Jensen	Responds yes, the only way HB 2818 will go into effect is with the permission of the city.
120	Genoa Ingram	Oregon Fire Directors Association. Testifies in support of HB 2818. Provides written testimony (EXHIBIT E). States she feels it needs an amendment. Expresses changing the threshold from 10% to 20%.
145	Chair Corcoran	States he doesn't foresee a problem with the amendment. Requests Ms. Ingram work with Mark Ellsworth to draft appropriate amendment.
155	Chair Corcoran	Closes the public hearing on HB 2818. Adjourns the meeting at 5:00 p.m.

EXHIBIT SUMMARY

A – HB 2343, written testimony, Steve Delaney, 2 pp

B – SB 783, additional written testimony for the record, Dan Gardner, 2 pp

C – SB 783, written testimony, Greg Chaimov, 1 p

D – HB 2818, written testimony, Burton Weast, 2 pp

E – HB 2818, written testimony, Genoa Ingram, 1 p