

SENATE COMMITTEE ON HUMAN RESOURCES

February 10, 2003
1:00 pm

Hearing Room B
Tapes 10 - 11

MEMBERS PRESENT: Sen. Bill Fisher, Chair
Sen. Kate Brown
Sen. Ginny Burdick
Sen. Bev Clarno
Sen. Charles Starr

MEMBER EXCUSED: Sen. Bill Morrisette, Vice-Chair

STAFF PRESENT: Marjorie Taylor, Administrator
Saranelle Allen, Committee Assistant

MEASURE/ISSUES HEARD: SB 18 – Public Hearing
SB 37 – Public Hearing
SB 118 – Public Hearing
SB 119 – Public Hearing

These minutes are in compliance with Senate and House Rules. Only text enclosed in quotation marks reports a speaker's exact words. For complete contents, please refer to the tapes.

| TAPE/# | Speaker | Comments |
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| <u>Tape 10, A</u> | | |
| 004 | Chair Fisher | Calls meeting to order at 1:08 pm. Opens a public hearing on SB 18. |
| <u>SB 18 – PUBLIC HEARING</u> | | |
| 009 | Jan Firman | Executive Director, Association of Oregon Community Mental Health Programs. Submits written testimony in support of SB 18 (EXHIBIT A), but does not attend the hearing. |
| 020 | Sen. Avel Gordly | Senate District 23, and a founder of the African American Mental Health Commission, submits and reads written testimony in support of SB 18 (EXHIBIT B). |
| 027 | Sen. Gordly | Testifies concerning her son's mental illness and advocates reform on accountability and training for staff at the State Hospital. Requests the addition of wording in the language of the bill on line 14, to read 'including multicultural experience' after the word 'experiences'. Thanks the Oregon Advocacy Board for their work. |
| | Sen. Gordly | Gives testimony on the moral issues of the problems in lieu of any financial impact for the future. |
| 203 | Chair Fisher | States clarification is required by the Senate Judiciary Office. |
| 250 | Greg Monaco | Mental Health Professional, Multnomah County. Testifies on behalf of suicidal person impacted by SB 18 (EXHIBIT C). |
| 361 | Stewart Branham | Member, Oregon Disabilities Commission. Testifies in support of SB 18, SB 37 and SB 119. |
| 398 | Bob Joondeph | Executive Director, Oregon Advocacy Center. Testifies in favor of SB 18, and the improvement of current laws on the definition of 'abuse' (EXHIBIT D). |
| <u>Tape 11, A</u> | | |
| 040 | Joondeph | Explains that there is a lack of clarity in what constitutes abuse, and advises that the proposed changes to SB 18 would make a difference. Comments on the additional part of SB 18 as it relates to support and training, and questions if there would be any fiscal impact in Section 3, (2). |
| 099 | Chair Fisher | Closes public hearing on SB 18 and opens public hearing on SB 37. |
| <u>SB 37 – PUBLIC HEARING</u> | | |
| 110 | Marjorie Taylor | Administrator. Explains the bill. |
| 140 | Jennifer Wright | Professor of Law, Willamette University College of Law. Introduces herself and Claudia Burton. |
| 180 | Claudia Burton | Circuit Judge, pro tem, Marion County Circuit Court. Jointly testifies with Jennifer Wright on written testimony in favor of SB 37 (EXHIBIT E). |
| | Phyllis Rand | Governor's Commission on Senior Services. Submits written testimony in support of SB 37, but does not attend hearing (EXHIBIT H). |
| 258 | Chair Fisher | Closes public hearing on SB 37 and opens public hearing on SB 118. |
| <u>SB 118 – PUBLIC HEARING</u> | | |
| 279 | Pete Shepherd | Deputy Attorney General. Gives written testimony in favor of SB 118, and requests a review of a hand-engrossed amendment to SB 118 concerning the financial aspects (EXHIBIT F). |
| | Claudia Burton | Circuit Judge, pro tem, Marion County Circuit Court. Jointly testifies with Jennifer Wright and Ruth Simmons in support of Pete Shepherd's hand-engrossed amendment recommendation to SB 118 (EXHIBIT F). |
| 379 | Chair Fisher | Closes public hearing on SB 118, and opens public hearing on SB 119. |
| <u>SB 119 – PUBLIC HEARING</u> | | |
| 402 | Thomas Elden | Assistant Attorney General, Financial Fraud/Consumer Protection Section. Gives written testimony in support of SB 119 (EXHIBIT G). |
| <u>Tape 10, B</u> | | |
| 030 | Bert Copp | Senior Advocate. Testifies in favor of SB 119, on elder abuse in addition to financial protection for the elderly. |
| 055 | Chair Fisher | Closes public hearing on SB 119, and adjourns meeting at 2:26 pm. |

EXHIBIT SUMMARY

A – SB 18, submitted written testimony, Jan Firman, 1 p.
B – SB 18, written testimony, Senator Aviel Gordly, 1 p.

C – SB 18, written testimony, Greg Monaco, 5 pp.
D – SB 18, written testimony, Bob Joondeph, 2 pp.
E – SB 37, joint written testimony, Jennifer Wright /Claudia Burton, 2 pp.
F – SB 118, written testimony, Pete Shepherd, 3 pp.
G – SB 119, written testimony, Thomas Elden, 3 pp.

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

H – SB 37, submitted written testimony, Phyllis Rand, 1 p.