

SENATE REVENUE COMMITTEE
March 19, 2003 1:00 PM STATE CAPITOL BUILDING

Members Present: Senator Ryan Deckert, Chair
Senator Tony Corcoran
Senator Lenn Hannon
Senator Charlie Ringo
Senator Bruce Starr

Members Excused: Senator Ted Ferrioli, Vice Chair

Invited Witnesses Present: John Marshall, Oregon School Board Association
Kathryn Weit, Oregon Developmental Disabilities Council
Bob Siewert, Oregon Department of Education
Senator Richard Devlin, District 19
Cindy Hunt, Legislative Counsel

Staff Present: Steve Meyer, Legislative Revenue Office
Paul Warner, Legislative Revenue Office
Tara Lantz, Committee Assistant

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004 Chair Deckert Calls meeting to order at 1:15pm.

OPENS WORK SESSION ON SB 550

008 Steve Meyer Explains proposed SB 550-3 amendments. Exhibit 1. Discusses revenue impact. Exhibit 2.

058 John Marshall Testifies in support of the SB 550-3 amendments because the changes are reasonable and benefit both small school districts and large districts and discusses the at risk fund.

105 Kathryn Weit Testifies in support of the SB 550-3 amendments. Points out that there is little data on services for children with disabilities and who the children are and recommends that if this bill should pass the districts need to be collecting good data.

166 Bob Siewert Testifies in support of SB 550 because it a positive step towards helping school districts with high cost students.

182 Steve Meyer Explains that some language needs to be clarified in the SB 550-3 amendments on lines 15-16 regarding weights and states that it can wait until the house side.

Discussion follows.

205 Sen. Starr Asks if they should wait to pass it in case people were waiting for the next day to testify.

216 Sen. Corcoran Asks if anyone in the room has heard of any opposition.

Negative responses follow.

- 225 Sen. Hannon MOTION: MOVES AMENDMENTS DATED 3/19/03 TO SB 550 BE ADOPTED.
- 227 Sen. Deckert ORDER: HEARING NO OBJECTION, MOTION PASSES: 5-0-1.
- 228 Sen. Hannon MOTION: MOVES SB 550 AS AMENDED WITH THE STIPULATION OF ADDING CLARIFYING LANGUAGE IN SECTION 2 IN THE HOUSE COMMITTEE.
- 245 Sen. Deckert ORDER: ROLL CALL VOTE
 SENTORS ANSWERING AYE: CORCORAN, HANNON, RINGO, STARR, DECKERT
 SENATOR EXCUSED: FERRIOLI.
 Sen. Deckert will carry the bill on the Senate Floor.

OPENS WORK SESSION ON SB 819

- 255 Meyer Explains SB 819 and discusses the revenue impact. Exhibit 3.
- 267 Sen. Devlin Explains that SB 819 is a compromise bill on the local option issue.
- 283 Sen. Hannon Asks if one school district used the local option and several other school districts rejected it, would they be in violation of the constitution regarding school equity.
- 295 Meyer Responds that there are no guarantees but that it is set low enough that it should hold up in court.

Discussion follows.
- 316 Cindy Hunt Responds negatively because the constitution specifically allows local options and supercedes the provision guaranteeing equal funding.
- 329 Sen. Ringo Points out that he introduced a similar bill and this is a scaled back version and very important for school districts.
- 355 Hunt Responds that she has the same opinion regarding the constitution on Sen. Ringo's local option bill
- 359 Sen. Starr Asks if it would be constitutional if a local government raised local taxes.
- 364 Hunt Responds that there are a lot of questions around that and it would depend on how much money was raised.

Discussion follows.
- 383 Sen. Deckert Explains how SB 819 is working within the limits of Measure 5.

Discussion follows.
- 417 Sen. Corcoran States that he is a no because it would be contradictory to his previous stand on local option.
- 420 Sen. Devlin States that Sen. Ferrioli expressed support and that maybe they should bring it back on another day.

Discussion follows.
- 442 Sen. Deckert Adjourns meeting at 1:43pm.

Tape Log Submitted by,

Tara Lantz, Committee Assistant Reviewed by Kim Taylor James

Exhibit Summary:

1. SB 550, Steve Meyer, Proposed LC-3 Amendments, 22pp.
2. SB 550, Steve Meyer, Revenue Impact Statement, 3pp.
3. SB 819, Steve Meyer, Revenue Impact Statement, 1p.
4. SB 864, Debra Buchanan, Department of Revenue Report on Delinquent Accounts Requested 3/18/03, 4pp.
5. SB 788, SB 810, SB 811, Ross McKeen, Oregon Cultural Trust Overview Requested 3/17/03, 2pp.