

SENATE COMMITTEE ON RULES

March 25, 2003
3:00 pm

Hearing Room 343
Tapes 28 - 29

MEMBERS PRESENT: Sen. Bev Clarno, Co-chair, Presiding
Sen. Kate Brown, Co-chair
Sen. Jason Atkinson, Vice-chair
Sen. Ginny Burdick, Vice-chair
Sen. Tony Corcoran

MEMBER EXCUSED: Sen. Roger Beyer

STAFF PRESENT: Jim Stembridge, Committee Administrator
Pam Cox, Committee Assistant

MEASURE/ISSUES HEARD: SM 2 – Public Hearing
SJR 26 – Public Hearing
SCR 4 – Public Hearing and Work Session
SCR 3 – Work Session
SJM 3 – Public Hearing and Work Session
SJM 5 – Public Hearing and Work Session
Introduction of Committee Measures – Work Session

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<u>TAPE#</u>	<u>Speaker</u>	<u>Comments</u>
TAPE 28, A		
005	Co-chair Clarno	Opens committee meeting at 3:13 p.m. and opens a public hearing on SM 2.
<u>SM 2 – PUBLIC HEARING</u>		
009	Sen. Frank Morse	District 8. Testifies in support of SM 2, which urges Congress to waive federal matching funds requirements for programs that require certain level of state funding to receive federal funds. Offers information on the need for Congress to suspend the rules and change the requirements for Federal General Funds and to return a portion of the matching fund monies.
044	Co-chair Clarno	Agrees the bill is fine the way it is.
051	Sen. Corcoran	Points out to the committee that it is our responsibility and we need to focus on building the funds to be matched.
083	Sen. Clarno	States this is a frustrating situation.
085	Sen. Morse	Points out we need to take care of ourselves but need to reflect on the federal policies.
100	Sen. Corcoran	Comments on other reasons we are in the situation we are in.
123	Co-chair Clarno	Closes public hearing on SM 2 and opens a public hearing on SJR 26.
<u>SJR 26 – PUBLIC HEARING</u>		
124	Jim Stembridge	Committee Administrator. Summarizes SJR 26, which proposes amendment to Oregon Constitution to require two percent of General Fund be retained, unexpended, in General Fund.
135	Sen. Steve Harper	District 28. Testifies in support of SJR 26 and offers information

		regarding revenue sources and submits a plan called the Oregon Stability Fund and continues to describe.
216	Sen. Atkinson	Asks when would the kicker be suspended.
220	Sen. Harper	Answers until the fund is full with six months reserve.
223	Co-chair Clarno	Ask for clarification of amount.
231	Sen. Harper	Answers to the moving amount.
238	Sen. Atkinson	Asks if the fund was depleted would it automatically start over.
239	Sen. Harper	States no it is not automatic the bill would have to be revisited.
240	Sen. Burdick	Asks when the kicker starts, if the fund is full, would the proceeds then go into a common school fund.
243	Sen. Harper	States then the kicker reverts back and is refunded to the taxpayers.
245	Sen. Burdick	Asks how he determined four percent
250	Sen. Harper	Explains the percentage figure was based on a number of things and seemed like a reasonable number.
259	Sen. Burdick	States the rate of interest for schools is about eight percent.
275	Sen. Harper	Clarifies the data used to come to this percentage rate.
315	Sen. Burdick	Commends Sen. Harper in introducing a rainy day fund.
330	Sen. Harper	States the need to build a savings account in hopes to not leave the next session without.
364	Sen. Burdick	States the income tax system could become more stable with a savings account.
370	Sen. Harper	Points out whatever is done the state is in need of a savings account but we are going to be very volatile in 2004.
415	Co-chair Clarno	States he has a good idea. Closes public hearing on SJR 26 and opens a public hearing on SCR 4.

SCR 4 – PUBLIC HEARING

417	Jim Stembridge	Committee Administrator. Summarizes SCR 4, in memoriam for Ruth Ascher, 1936-2003.
430	Sen. Gordly	District 23. Testifies in support of SCR 4 and offers information on the life of Ruth Ascher.

TAPE 29, A

069	Sen. Kate Brown	District 21. Testifies in support of SCR 4 and summarizes written testimony for the Ascher Family (EXHIBIT A).
080	Sharon Hill	Offers testimony in support of SCR 4 regarding the things Ruth Ascher had done for the communities and state wide and continues to describe her work (EXHIBIT B).
153	Co-chair Clarno	Closes public hearing on SCR 4 and opens a work session on SCR 4.

SCR 4 – WORK SESSION

155	Sen. Burdick	MOTION: Moves SCR 4 be sent to the floor with a BE ADOPTED recommendation.
156		VOTE: 5-0
		EXCUSED: 1 - Sen. Beyer
	Co-chair Clarno	Hearing no objection, declares the motion CARRIED. SEN. GORDLY AND SEN. BROWN will lead discussion on the floor.
158	Co-chair Clarno	Closes work session on SCR 4 and opens a work session on SCR 3.

SCR 3 – WORK SESSION

159	Jim Stembridge	Committee Administrator. Summarizes SCR 3, which congratulates women's soccer team of University of Portland for winning National Collegiate Athletic Association Division I Championship in 2002.
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167	Sen. Brown	<p>MOTION: Moves to ADOPT SCR 3-1 amendments dated 3/10/03.</p> <p>VOTE: 5-0</p> <p>EXCUSED: 1 - Sen. Beyer</p> <p>Hearing no objection, declares the motion CARRIED.</p>
168	<p>Co-chair Clarno</p> <p>Sen. Brown</p> <p>Co-chair Clarno</p>	<p>MOTION: Moves SCR 3 be sent to the floor with a BE ADOPTED AS AMENDED recommendation.</p> <p>VOTE: 5-0</p> <p>EXCUSED: 1 - Sen. Beyer</p> <p>Hearing no objection, declares the motion CARRIED.</p> <p>SEN. CARTER will lead discussion on the floor.</p>
169	Co-chair Clarno	<p>Closes work session on SCR 3 and opens a public hearing on SJM 3.</p>
<u>SJM 3 – PUBLIC HEARING</u>		
190	Judy Brown	<p>Yamhill County. Testifies in support of SJM 3, which encourages Congress to require captioning for educational media. Offers written testimony and summarizes explaining the need to require media captioning in the schools for children with hearing loss (EXHIBIT C).</p>
240	Co-chair Clarno	<p>Closes public hearing on SJM 3 and opens work session on SJM 3.</p>
<u>SJM 3 – WORK SESSION</u>		
243	Sen. Brown	<p>MOTION: Moves SJM 3 be sent to the floor with a BE ADOPTED recommendation.</p>
245		<p>VOTE: 5-0</p>
246	Co-chair Clarno	<p>EXCUSED: 1 - Sen. Beyer</p> <p>Hearing no objection, declares the motion CARRIED.</p> <p>SEN. GEORGE will lead discussion on the floor.</p>
270	Co-chair Clarno	<p>Closes work session on SJM 3 and opens public hearing on SJM 5.</p>
<u>SJM 5 – PUBLIC HEARING</u>		
271	Jim Stenbridge	<p>Committee Administrator. Summarizes SJM 5, which expresses support for Action Plan for Public Lands and Education.</p>
276	Sen. Brown	<p>Vice-Chair, Council States Government West (CSG). Testifies in support of SJM 5 and offers information of western states federal land in regards to school funding.</p>
351	Sen. Corcoran	<p>States education is a state responsibility not the federal government.</p>
352	Sen. Brown	<p>Answers to the mandates that federal government has imposed.</p>
390	Sen. Corcoran	<p>Asks what about other memorials regarding state land.</p>
402	Sen. Brown	<p>States there are special circumstances.</p>
413	Co-chair Clarno	<p>Closes public hearing on SJM 5 and opens a work session on SJM 5.</p>
<u>SJM 5 – WORK SESSION</u>		
414	Sen. Atkinson	<p>MOTION: Moves SJM 5 be sent to the floor with a BE ADOPTED recommendation.</p>
442		<p>VOTE: 4-1-1</p>
		<p>AYE: 4 - Sen. Clarno, Sen. Brown, Sen. Atkinson, Sen. Burdick</p>
		<p>NAY: 1 - Sen. Corcoran</p>
	Co-chair Clarno	<p>EXCUSED: 1 - Sen. Beyer</p> <p>The motion Carries.</p> <p>SEN. ATKINSON and SEN. BROWN will lead discussion on</p>

440 Co-chair Clarno **the floor.**
Closes public hearing on SJM 5 and opens work session for the purpose of introducing committee measures.

INTRODUCTION OF COMMITTEE MEASURES – WORK SESSION

441 Jim Stembridge Committee Administrator. Summarizes LC 3502 and LC 3517 and drafts from Sen. Winters, Sen. Shields and Sen. Minnis.

445 **Sen. Brown** **MOTION: Moves LC 3502 and LC 3517 BE INTRODUCED as committee bills.**

446 **VOTE: 4-0**
EXCUSED: 2 - Sen. Corcoran, Sen. Beyer
Hearing no objections, declares the motion CARRIED.

TAPE 28, B
450 Co-chair Clarno Closes work session on committee measures. Closes committee meeting and adjourns at 4:40 p.m.

EXHIBIT SUMMARY

- A – SCR 4, written testimony, Ascher Family, 1 p**
- B – SCR 4, written testimony, Sharon K. Hill, 2 pp**
- C – SJM 3, written testimony, Judy Brown, 4 pp**