

**SENATE COMMITTEE ON
TRANSPORTATION AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

February 04, 2003
8:00 AM

Hearing Room C
Tapes 17-18

MEMBERS PRESENT: **Sen. Rick Metsger, Chair**
 Sen. Bruce Starr, Vice-Chair
 Sen. Ryan Deckert
 Sen. David Nelson

STAFF PRESENT: **Amy Joyce, Committee Administrator**
 Annastasia Suess, Committee Assistant

MEASURE/ISSUES HEARD: Informational Meeting - Invited Testimony:
 Matthew Garrett, Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT)
 SB 80 – Work Session
 SB 181 – Public Hearing
 SB 179 – Public Hearing
 SB 187 – 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.

<u>TAPE/#</u>	<u>Speaker</u>	<u>Comments</u>
<u>TAPE 17, A</u>		
005	Chair Metsger	Calls the committee to order at 8:02 a.m. and opens an informational meeting.
<u>INFORMATIONAL MEETING</u>		
010	Matthew Garrett	Chief of Staff, Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT). Begins presentation on the Oregon Transportation Investment Act (OTIA). Presents written material (EXHIBIT A).
050	Garrett	Continues discussion of the OTIA: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Overview• Statewide distribution of funds• Expenditure of bond proceeds• Projects completed• Remaining projects delivery timeline• Success of OTIA• Summary of OTIA project status• Projects under construction
160	Garrett	Concludes.
165	Chair Metsger	Asks about the dollar figure of OTIA.
170	Garrett	Answers and provides further information.
180	Chair Metsger	Asks about particular types of projects best suited for design processes.
185	Garrett	Answers and elaborates on bridge projects.
215	Sen. B. Starr	Asks about what the department has learned from the pilot projects.
225	Garrett	Answers and elaborates on previous projects and relationships with local governments.

250 Sen. Nelson Asks for clarification of project implementation pending moneys.
 260 Garrett Answers and provides further information on expenditures and turn around times.
 275 Henry Hewitt Co-Chair of the I-5 Partnership Task Force. Begins discussion on the I-5 corridor strategic plan. Provides written testimony (**EXHIBIT B**).
 300 Hewitt Continues discussion of the I-5 corridor:

- Project overview/Purpose
- Public Outreach Activities
- Task Force Members (Oregon and Washington)
- Technical Support from Oregon and Washington DOTs.

TAPE 18, A

010 Hewitt Continues discussion of the I-5 corridor:

- Outcomes
- Recommendations

165 Hewitt Concludes.
 170 Chair Metsger Comments on the partnership between Oregon and Washington.
 185 Sen. B. Starr Asks about the decision making process that incorporated the Fremont bridge versus connecting I-5 to I-84.
 200 Hewitt Answers and elaborates on the decision to move the project's original intent.
 240 Sen. Nelson Asks about assessments performed to streamline the process, to make transportation issues comparable to other states.
 260 Hewitt Answers.
 275 Chair Metsger Closes the informational hearing and opens a work session on SB 80.

SB 80 - WORK SESSION

310 Sen. B. Starr **MOTION: Moves to SUSPEND the rules for the purpose of reconsideration of the vote on SB 80.**
VOTE: 4-0
 312 Chair Metsger **Hearing no objection, declares the motion CARRIED.**
 315 Sen. B. Starr **MOTION: Moves to RECONSIDER the vote by which the Committee moved SB 80 to the floor with a DO PASS AS AMENDED recommendation and be placed on the CONSENT CALENDAR.**
 318 Amy Joyce Committee Administrator. Explains the need to reconsider the bill.
VOTE: 4-0
 320 Chair Metsger **Hearing no objection, declares the motion CARRIED.**
 325 Sen. B. Starr **MOTION: Moves SB 80 to the floor with a DO PASS AS AMENDED recommendation and the SUBSEQUENT REFERRAL to the committee on Joint Ways and Means BE RESCINDED and be placed on the CONSENT CALENDAR.**
VOTE: 4-0
 330 Chair Metsger **Hearing no objection, declares the motion CARRIED.**
SEN. METSGER will lead discussion on the floor.
 332 Chair Metsger Closes the work session and opens a public hearing on SB 181.

SB 181 - PUBLIC HEARING

335 Stan Porter Vehicle Safety Standards ODOT. Provides written testimony in support of SB 181 (**EXHIBIT C**).
 425 Chair Metsger Asks about white headlights how the imported blue neon lights meet the federal standards.

TAPE 17, B

020 Porter Answers and elaborates.

050	Chair Metsger	Comments on the wording of the bill in regards to white lights.
060	Sen. B. Starr	Asks about motorcycle usage without turn signals after dark.
065	Porter	Provides answers.
070	Sen. Nelson	Asks about the generalized changes and how it would affect farm vehicles.
075	Porter	Answers.
080	Al Elkins	Car Truck Rentals of Oregon. Provides testimony in opposition to SB 181.
085	Chair Metsger	Comments on the member's future work on the bill to alter the language.
090	Chair Metsger	Closes the public hearing on SB 181 and opens a public hearing on SB 179.

SB 179 - PUBLIC HEARING

110	Sen. Roger Beyer	District 9. Provides testimony in opposition to SB 179. Offers to draft an amendment to this bill.
170	Chair Metsger	Comments on his interest to work with Sen. Beyer on the wording.
180	Troy Costales	Safety Division Manager, ODOT. Provides written testimony in favor on SB 179 (EXHIBIT D).
235	Chair Metsger	Comments on rural areas and expenses of lights and posting. Asks if it is possible to use warrants to establish a system.
280	Costales	Answers and expresses the need to clarify with Sen. Beyer the fiscal and practical needs of the bill amendments.
300	Chair Metsger	Asks about standards for posting signs warning of approaching school signs.
320	Sen. B. Starr	Provides an opinion on posting an approaching school sign versus a flashing light, to keep traffic at a 24-hour lowered speed limit.
350	Costales	Responds to the comments.
375	Sen. B. Starr	Discusses the need to avoid the previous loopholes of numerous exceptions.
380	Randy Tucker	1000 Friends of Oregon. Provides testimony in favor of SB 179. Provides written testimony for Schott Bricker, Youth Programs and Education Director (EXHIBIT E).
050	Sen. B. Starr	Asks about support for posting 24 hour notice of school zone limits.
055	Tucker	Answers.
060	Sen. Deckert	Comments on the need to have 24 hour posting.
065	Costales	Responds.
075	Chair Metsger	Closes public hearing on SB 179 and opens a public hearing on SB 187.

SB 187 - PUBLIC HEARING

100	Kelly Taylor	ODOT. Provides written testimony in favor of SB 187 (EXHIBIT F).
125	Chair Metsger	Asks when the federal requirements went into effect.
135	Taylor	Answers.
140	Chair Metsger	Closes the public hearing on SB 187 and adjourns the meeting at 9:30 a.m.

EXHIBIT SUMMARY

- A – Informational, Slide show, Mathew Garrett, 43 pp**
- B – Informational, written testimony, Henry Hewitt, 13 pp**
- C – SB 181, written testimony, Stan Porter, 4 pp**
- D – SB 179, written testimony, Troy Costales, 2 pp**
- E – SB 179, written testimony, Randy Tucker, 2 pp**
- F – SB 187, written testimony, Kelly Taylor, 1 p**

