

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON ADVANCING E-GOVERNMENT

April 19, 2001 Hearing Room E
3:30 PM Tapes 40-41

MEMBERS PRESENT: Rep. Jim Hill, Chair
Rep. Rob Patridge, Vice-Chair
Rep. Kathy Lowe

MEMBER EXCUSED:

STAFF PRESENT: Mark Jolley, Committee Administrator
Alice Morton, Committee Assistant

MEASURE/ISSUES HEARD: HB 3696 – Public Hearing and Possible Work Session
HB 2988
HB 3372 – Work Session

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<u>TAPE/#</u>	<u>Speaker</u>	<u>Comments</u>
TAPE 40, A		
003	Chair Hill	Calls committee to order at 3:50 p.m. and opens public hearing on HB 3372.
<u>HB 3372 – Work Session</u>		
010	Mark Jolley	Committee Administrator. Explains the –5 amendments (EXHIBIT A) of HB 3372, which requires the Oregon Department of Administrative Services and state agencies to implement portfolio-based management of information technology resources.
045	Rep. Patridge	MOTION: Moves to ADOPT HB 3372-5 amendments dated 4/19/01.
		VOTE: 3-0
047	Chair Hill	Hearing no objection, declares the motion CARRIED.
050	Rep. Patridge	MOTION: Moves HB 3372 to the floor with a DO PASS AS AMENDED recommendation.
		VOTE: 3-0
055	Chair Hill	Hearing no objection, declares the motion CARRIED. PATRIDGE will lead discussion on the floor.
083	Chair Hill	Closes work session on HB 3372 and opens work session on HB 2988.
<u>HB 2988 – Work Session</u>		
088	Chair Hill	Says HB 2988 will be brought back at a later meeting, as Roy Hemmingway had ideas for amendments. Explains it is necessary to get a LC version of the amendment.
090	Rep. Lowe	Asks
100	Chair Hill	Closes work session on HB 2988 and opens public hearing on 3696.
<u>HB 3696 – Public Hearing</u>		

110	John Delorenzo	Attorney. Opens with remarks related to the bill and introduces two others speakers.
120	Pamela Lesh	V-P Rates and Regulatory Affairs, Portland General Electric Company (PGE). Testifies in support of the bill, which they drafted, and provides written material (EXHIBIT B).
311	Lesh	Continues presentation on the background of PGE and development of the bill.
373	Chair Hill	Asks for clarification of contract obligations concept.
380	Lesh	Responds, yes, that is what she envisions and explains. Adds, they want to achieve knowing what to expect.
407	Rep. Patridge	Asks if any other states are doing this.
410	Lesh	Does not really know, mentions one similar situation, and that's all.
412	Rep Patridge	Asks if any other states are discussing this.
415	Lesh	Responds no. Oregon is the first.
TAPE 41A		
024	Rep. Lowe	Says she has several questions. Summarizes an example and asks for verification that she framed it right.
030	Lesh Committee	Responds, that is one type of example. A series of questions and answers with Ms. Lesh regarding the details of the bill and comparisons with HB 1129. Ms. Lesh says the important point is that California struggled with uncertainty, and with the current PGE concept, there is more stability and certainty in the system by making prior contracts J
131	Jay Dudley	Assistant General Counsel, Portland General Electric (PGE). Comments on the value of contracting and acquiring supplies.
140	Rep. Lowe	Expresses her concerns that market variations be passed on the consumers and if PGE becomes economically unstable, what the PGE would do.
153	Lesh	Says the commission is in control and explains.
174	Chair Hill	Directs Mr. Dudley to proceed with going through the bill.
176	Dudley	Reads the bill. (EXHIBIT B) pages 6-9.
276	Rep. Lowe	Asks is there is protection to interruption of service.
280	Dudley	Responds and explains.
295	Rep. Lowe	Asks about jurisdiction over water services.
300	Dudley	Explains it is not covered by commission jurisdiction and will not be with the PGE bill.
320	Rep Lowe	Asks about dispute resolution.
325	Dudley	Asks were
340	Rep Lowe	Says, now it is in the record.
345	Rep Lowe	Asks if is would be a fair assumption there will not be a ratcheting up of rates.
366	Lesh	Responds with a contract example.
Tape 40B		
040	Rep Patridge	Asks if the state needs this bill if it were not under the deregulation.
050	Lesh	Responds, absolutely.
055	Dudley	Gives additional examples.
067	Rep. Patridge	Asks for explanation that a utility would do differently to provide infrastructure if we adopt this bill.
073	Lesh	Says the biggest benefit is that it would allow for certainly, and that the reason little was built during the 90's was the uncertainty of return.

121	Rep. Patridge	Says he view this as a ‘half-loaf’ measure to allow the utilities some innovations and asks what they can expect for PGE and other utilities if they pass this bill.
141	Lesh	Gives an example of a small unit on the beaver river and others. Test small contracts to start out.
150	Chair Hill	Asks if
220	Committee	Continued question and answer with Ms. Lesh regarding the bill.
290	Rep Patridge	Says he would like to see some amendment
293	Chair Hill	Closes work sessison on HB 3696 and adjourn the meeting at 5:50 p.m.

Submitted By,

Reviewed By,

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EXHIBIT SUMMARY

A – HB 3696, -5 amendments