

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT EFFICIENCY

March 22, 2001
8:30 AM

Hearing Room D
Tapes 39 - 40

MEMBERS PRESENT: **Rep. Jerry Krummel, Chair**
 Rep. Chris Beck, Vice-Chair
 Rep. Patti Smith, Vice-Chair
 Rep. Alan Brown
 Rep. Bill Garrard
 Rep. Jim Hill
 Rep. Deborah Kafoury
 Rep. Steve March
 Rep. Carolyn Tomei
 Rep. Kelley Wirth

MEMBER EXCUSED: **Rep. Jeff Kruse**

STAFF PRESENT: **Matt Wingard, Committee Administrator**
 Patrick Brennan, Committee Assistant

MEASURE/ISSUES HEARD: **SB 612 Public Hearing and Work Session**
 HB 3539 Public Hearing and Work Session
 HCR 5 Public Hearing and Work Session

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>
TAPE 39, A		
003	Chair Krummel	Calls the meeting to order at 8:43 a.m. Opens a public hearing on SB 612.
<u>SB 612 PUBLIC HEARING</u>		
007	Matt Wingard	Committee Administrator. Gives a brief description of the bill. States that the measure directs the Department of Administrative Services (DAS) to change the name of the Burns Archive Center to the Eugene D. Timms Computer Archive Center.
012	Rep. Hill	Describes the Burns Archive Center and its purpose. Comments on the economic importance of the center to the community of Burns. Mentions that most state offices, even the Oregon State Lottery, have a backup of its files at the archive center in the event of a catastrophe. Submits the -1 amendments for the committee's consideration (EXHIBIT A).
048	Chair Krummel	Closes the public hearing on SB 612 and opens a joint public hearing on HB 3539 and HCR 5.
<u>HB 3539/HCR 5 PUBLIC HEARING</u>		
058	Matt Wingard	Committee Administrator. Gives a brief description of HB 3539. States that the bill appropriates money from the General Fund to DAS for the repair and refurbishment of the Spanish American War Soldiers' Monument in Portland. Provides a brief description of HCR 5. Says that the memorial honors members of the Second Oregon Volunteer Infantry for valor in the Spanish American War and Philippine Insurrection and declares August 13 to be Preparedness Day, commemorating the capture of

080	Greg Leo	Manila on that date in 1898. Theodore Roosevelt Association. Testifies in support of HB 3539 and HCR 5 (EXHIBIT B). Comments on the important role the 2 nd Oregon Volunteer regiment played in the Spanish American War. Declares that the state should not miss an opportunity to teach young Oregonians about important American historical events.
140	Donna Hill	Testifies in support of HB 3539 and HCR 5 (EXHIBIT B). Provides biographical information of her great-uncle, a Congressional Medal of Honor recipient during the Spanish American War. Describes the battle for which her great-uncle was awarded the Medal of Honor.
196	Leo	Displays and describes photographs of the 2 nd Oregon Volunteers. Recalls that the Spanish American War was fought primarily over human rights concerns of Cubans and the destruction of the USS Maine. Explains that because there was no substantial standing army in the United States at that time states were asked to provide a quota of troops. Indicates that Oregon had 1,300 volunteers, many of whom were too young to go to war but went anyway. States that the 2 nd Oregon Volunteers were on their way to the Philippines while Teddy Roosevelt (TR) was still training his Roughriders. Notes that American forces in the Pacific during the conflict took Guam and Manila, then held them in the face of uprisings.
247	Eloise Damrosch	Portland Regional Arts and Culture Council. Testifies in support of HB 3539 and HCR 5. Recalls that Portland passed in ordinance in 1980 to commission public art in the area. Indicates that a small portion of the funds was set aside about a decade ago for maintenance of the artwork. Asserts that caring for statues is just as important as taking care of city streets and other related maintenance. Says the Spanish American War Soldiers' Monument in Portland is in serious need of maintenance.
301	Peggy Kendellen	Portland Regional Arts and Culture Council. Testifies in support of HB 3539 and HCR 5 (EXHIBIT D). Describes the process by which the sculpture will be cleaned and restored.
328	Leo	Provides background information regarding the cannon that are located at the base of the statue, their historical significance, and the need for their restoration. Remarks on TR's connection to Oregon and to the 2 nd Oregon Volunteer regiment. Reads a quote by TR.
385	Rep. Wirth	Inquires as to the success of raising funds for restoration projects from private donors.
TAPE 40, A 005	Leo	Speaks about efforts to raise money from those concerned about art and from military history buffs. Says the fact that TR had been active in so many fields has helped raise money from many sources. Asserts that after restoration of the statue is completed, the USS Oregon (now located in Waterfront Park) should also be restored.
023	Damrosch	Comments on efforts to restore the Joan of Arc statue in Portland. Indicates the council is seeking contributions for that project primarily from women.
040	Leo	Mentions that time is of the essence, due to the imminent

050 Rep. Wirth disappearance of federal funds for restoration of such memorials. Comments that in Germany virtually every little town has a memorial for veterans from its community.

058 Damrosch Remarks that press coverage inevitably follows such restoration projects.

063 Leo Asserts that Preparedness Day is important because so many Oregonians have forgotten about the heroes of the past, who represent a strong positive role model for today's youth.

076 Chair Krummel Mentions that his grandfather was a veteran of the Spanish American War, though he was from New York, not Oregon. Comments that his family is connected to every military conflict in United States history. Closes the joint public hearing on HB 3539 and HCR 5 and opens a work session on HCR 5.

HCR 5 WORK SESSION

095 Rep. Hill

MOTION: Moves HCR 5 be sent to the floor with a BE ADOPTED recommendation.

098

VOTE: 9-0-2

AYE: In a roll call vote, all members present vote Aye.

EXCUSED: 2 - Kafoury, Kruse

The motion CARRIES.

Chair Krummel

REP. HILL will lead discussion on the floor.

104 Chair Krummel

Closes the work session on HCR 5 and opens a work session on HB 3539.

HB 3539 WORK SESSION

110 Rep. Hill

MOTION: Moves HB 3539 to the floor with a DO PASS recommendation and BE REFERRED to the committee on Ways and Means by prior reference.

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VOTE: 9-0

AYE: In a roll call vote, all members present vote Aye.

EXCUSED: 2 - Kafoury, Kruse

The motion CARRIES.

Chair Krummel

128 Chair Krummel

Closes the work session on HB 3539 and reopens the public hearing on SB 612.

SB 612 PUBLIC HEARING

133 Sen. Steve Harper

Senate District 30. Testifies in support of SB 612. Recalls that Senator Eugene D. Timms served Burns and the rest of District 30 in the Oregon State Legislature for 18 years. Indicates that Sen. Timms was instrumental in having the archive center placed in Burns. Notes that SB 612 passed the Senate without any opposition.

153 Chair Krummel

Asks if Sen. Harper supports the -1 amendments.

163 Sen. Harper

Agrees to support the amendments.

165 Rep. Hill

Remarks that the archive center was sponsored and pushed by Sen. Jeanette Hamby, who as an urban legislator worked to have the center sited in Burns. Unique compromise between urban & rural.

181 Rep. Garrard

Applauds the job that Sen. Timms did for the state and for District 30.

183 Chair Krummel

Closes the public hearing on SB 612 and opens a work session on SB 612.

SB 612 WORK SESSION

185	Rep. Hill	MOTION: Moves to ADOPT SB 612-1 amendments dated 3/20/01.
189		VOTE: 9-0-2
	Chair Krummel	EXCUSED: 2 - Kafoury, Kruse
195	Rep. Hill	Hearing no objection, declares the motion CARRIED.
		MOTION: Moves SB 612 to the floor with a DO PASS AS AMENDED recommendation.
202	Chair Krummel	Expresses respect for both former senators memorialized in the amended bill and supports the effort to recognize their efforts with regard to the archive center.
218		VOTE: 9-0-2
		AYE: In a roll call vote, all members present vote Aye.
	Chair	EXCUSED: 2 - Kafoury, Kruse
		The motion CARRIES.
		REP. GARRARD will lead discussion on the floor.
230	Chair Krummel	Closes the work session on SB 612 and adjourns the meeting at 9:22 a.m.

Submitted By,

Reviewed By,

Patrick Brennan,
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Matt Wingard,
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EXHIBIT SUMMARY

- A – SB 612, -1 amendments, rep. Jim Hill, 1 p.**
- B – HCR 5, testimony, Greg Leo, 32 pp.**
- C – HCR 5, testimony, Donna Hill, 1 p.**
- D – HCR 5, informational materials, Peggy Kendellen, 1 p.**