

		keep them as part of their current service level discussion. Says it comes down to how flexible can the budget be with a permanent staff versus a temporary staff.
114	Chair Krummel	Says his primary concern is the use of personnel dollars for other purposes.
118	Freels	Requests specific examples of such occurrences. Says that agencies are allowed a certain amount of flexibility but are required to notify DAS of such activity.
126	Chair Krummel	Offers as an example the Oregon State Police (OSP), which chose not to offer a training program that was budgeted for, resulting in not hiring new officers. Says the legislature has been told that OSP did not want to hire and train officers that would be laid off in the near future due to budget cuts.
142	Freels	Responds there were approximately 125 positions in question and 25 were to come online by July 2000; the other 100 were scheduled to come on in January 2001. States due to the Governors revenue shortfall a policy decision was made not to fill the remaining 100 positions.
158	Rep. Hill	Comments most of the dollars were diverted to fight unexpected forest fires.
165	Freels	Responds agencies can come back to the Legislative Emergency Board to have that decision approved.
174	Rep. Hill	States he has received varying answers depending on the agency or the person spoken to with regards to requests made to Way & Means for manpower and then the money is subsequently spent on other line items. This bill will help create discipline within agencies by giving the legislature a way of monitoring and holding the agencies accountable for this activity.

HB 3847 PUBLIC HEARING

219	Wingard	States this bill requires Oregon Department of administrative Services to establish a Veterans memorial in the State Capital Mall area.
222	Speaker Mark Simmons	House - District 38. Testifies in support of HB 3847. Recalls a recent visit to the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier in Washington D.C. Laments that such opportunities are not available to many Oregonians. Comments the need to memorialize those who are no longer with us and to thank those who are. Says the measure establishes a Veteran's Memorial in the Capitol Mall area.
272	Rep. Hill	Asks about the funding source of the memorial.
277	Speaker Simmons	States there are funds that are dedicated specifically to the arts. States he is not sure how much can be quantified for this project.
284	Rep. Hill	Asks whether Speaker Simmons would support the addition of a mechanism for allowing outside funding sources, specifically contributions to help advance the goal of constructing the memorial from the private sector.
298	Speaker Simmons	Supports the idea.
303	Rep. Beck	Asks if there are any veteran's memorials currently on the Capitol Mall grounds or in Salem.
305	Speaker Simmons	Not to his knowledge
309	Rep. Hill	Says there is an obelisk near the Veterans' Affairs building. Not a real large memorial.
320	Rep. Beck	Asks if Speaker Simmons would consider funding this out of Department of Veteran Affairs budget, rather than from the Arts Fund.

328	Speaker Simmons	Comments that some of the most beautiful works of art are memorials.
342	Chair Krummel	Comments that one percent of a building's cost needs to be dedicated to art for that building. Wonders whether the 1% of the art budget for a new building being constructed on the mall grounds be used for the proposed memorial.
364	Speaker Simmons	Nothing precludes siting the memorial near the new building, but should be left to Ways & Means to make the determination.
407	Chair Krummel	Closes public hearing on HB 3847 and reopens the public hearing on HB3224.

HB 3224 REOPENS PUBLIC HEARING

TAPE 53, A

015	Mary Botkin	AFSCME. Testifies to a neutral position on this bill. Says that some of the personnel decisions that are made by agencies are done for good reasons while others are not. Sometimes vacant position budgets are used for overtime costs. Prisons in rural areas are a specific example where this is necessary, as it is difficult to entice qualified people to move to Eastern Oregon to take jobs. States the measure ignores the retention and recruitment problems the state faces due to offering noncompetitive wages. Comments this bill may be creating an inflexible system.
060	Botkin	Comments the state has improved greatly in this aspect, as it rarely uses personnel budgets for equipment and supplies as was once common practice. States the need to consider making the measure more flexible.
076	Rep. Hill	States in terms of technical positions, the answer is to reclassify positions and pay more. Says that hiding behind vacant FTE rather than openly discussing the need to address low wage problems exacerbates the problem. Comments that overtime eats up the ability of agencies to hire more help at the same time it alleviates the effects of understaffing.
107	Botkin	Acknowledges the point. Comments that the legislature has worked hard to budget for positions that have not been filled. Some agencies, such as the state hospital, have acute recruitment and retention problems that are difficult to address.
130	Rep. March	Comments on budgeting for positions that the agency knows will not be filled.
141	Botkin	States the problem with "ghost budgeting" is that vacant positions would be cut so much that there would be insufficient resources to pay for overtime needed because of understaffing. Says DAS has helped address the real needs of the agencies to alleviate this practice.
173	Rich Peppers	Oregon Public Employees Union (OPEU). Says his organization represents front-line workers that are impacted by this issue. Says OPEU approaches the issue as a matter of workload management. Comments this bill may be to "across the board" to do the job that needs to be done.
218	Rep. Hill	Asks how the problem should be addressed when agencies are not forthcoming during the budgetary process with the issues they face. States the problem is when the agencies continue to request positions that they do not fill, or request additional positions when they have a number of unfilled positions. Comments it is creating a better mechanism to address the issues

		of retention versus agencies feeling the need to pad the budget with FTE to deal with the issues of reclassification.
262	Peppers	Acknowledges that there are some problem areas but says that a broad attempt at a solution such as HB 3224 may be more of a problem than the one it seeks to remedy.
277	Rep. Hill	Would OPEU be willing to work on a bill that does address the problem without becoming more of a problem itself.
296	Peppers	Offers to do so.
303	Gary Carlson	Associated Oregon Industries (AOI). Testifies in support of HB 3224. Says there may be some exceptions but that for many cases a 6-month window is sufficient to fill positions, and that those that go unfilled should be unscheduled. Says safeguards and exceptions should be put in if need be, but restraints are needed.
350	Carlson	Comments that the E-Board is an example of how agencies look to spend available pools of money.
368	Chair Krummel	Requests that the interested parties work on amendments to make the bill amenable to all. Needs to be truth in advertising when budgeting for personnel needs in state agencies. Legislature needs to be made aware of the real needs and that if overtime is what is needed it should be budgeted for as overtime. Disagrees with the current service level-funding format.

TAPE 52, B

005	Chair Krummel	Says there are mechanisms for dealing with positions that will be needed during the second year of a budget cycle. There are two problems: one of public perception and one of perceiving increased revenues as a tight budget.
475	Chair Krummel	Closes the public hearing on HB 3224 and reopens public hearing on HB 3847.

HB 3847 REOPENS PUBLIC HEARING

040	Robert Fleming	Department of Veteran Affairs (DVA). Testifies in support of HB 3847. Comments that there are no funds available in the current or recently signed budget for the department for any memorials.
066	Rep. Beck	Asks if there is a record of the various memorials around the state.
071	Fleming	Describes the different types of markers and memorials across the state and says there are about 125. Says the (DVA) has five veterans' memorials at their building location.
088	Rep. Beck	Trying to get a sense of whether there has been a longstanding recognition of a need for such a memorial.
115	Fleming	Responds that there are 125 memorials in Oregon and that the desire for more has not diminished
125	Rep. Hill	Mentions that the Memorial Coliseum is slated for demolition and has a WWII memorial that could possibly be relocated. Comments would like to see about finding a fitting home for that memorial.
136	Chair Krummel	States he would like to combine the public hearing HB 3847 and HCR 11.

HB 3847 & HCR 11 PUBLIC HEARING

137	Wingard	States that HCR 11 would recognize, honor and thank Oregonians who served in the Korean War.
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143 Rep. Jenson House District 57. Testifies in support of HCR 11. Says the memorial gives thanks to the veterans of the Korean War. Describes the impact that the Korean War had during his lifetime. Notes that Korea is referred to as “The Forgotten War”, as it did not have the tremendous support of WWII or the stigma of Vietnam. POW camps were a new phenomenon, at least with regard to the brainwashing and psychological torture that POW’s were exposed to.

210 Rep. Jenson Never served in Korea, despite being in the service from 1950-54. Gives a personal anecdote regarding the Korean War.

326 Bob Montgomery Lifetime member of Veteran of Foreign Wars and the American Legion. Testifies in support of HCR 11 and HB 3847.

343 Rep. P. Smith Comments that Rep. Jenson honors his friend well.

355 Ed Hughes Coalition for Veterans’ Issues. Testifies in support of HB 3847 and HCR 11.

367 Norm Smith Oregon Arts Commission (OAC). Testifies in opposition of HB 3847. States that the Arts Commission has no position on the merits of the bill, but that sections 3 and 4 make the commission the funding source. Mentions that he is a member of the Oregon State Capitol Foundation, which may have some interest in the memorial.

TAPE 53, B

011 Christine Darcy Oregon Arts Commission (OAC). Testifies in opposition to HB 3847. Acknowledges the need and desire for a veteran’s memorial, but says there are other interest in other projects as well. Says any reallocation of funding will reduce the ability of OAC to address other issues.

030 Rep. Beck Asks whether there is any way to extract some funds from the redevelopment of the Memorial Coliseum site for the construction of the proposed Capitol Mall memorial.

043 Darcy Says that OAC works with the Regional Arts and Culture Council and could discuss that option with them.

051 Rep. Beck May be an appropriate time to do something new. Should be creative thought as to how to make the war memorials resonate with future generations and help them understand what the veterans experienced.

090 Rep. March States the memorial should be funded from the general fund rather than looking for backdoor funding sources. Asks what role the Capitol Foundation might play in the memorial’s construction.

103 Rep. P. Smith Purpose of the foundation is to raise funds from outside government, in conjunction with other agencies. Comments we should not overlook private funding for memorial construction.

128 Rep. Kruse Says he spoke to the Speaker Simmons regarding funding and was told the Speaker is amenable to discussing other possible funding sources.

130 Chair Krummel Closes public hearing on HB 3847 and opens public hearing on HCR 11.

HCR 11 PUBLIC HEARING

136 Walter Crews Non Commissioned Officers Association of the United States Of America (NCOA). Testifies in support of HCR 11. Submits and refers to written material (**EXHIBIT A**).

160 Margo Coleman Department President, Korean War Veterans Association. Testifies in support of HCR 11.

167 John Donnelly Past President, Korean War Veterans Department of Oregon. Testifies in support of HCR 11. Submits and refers to written material (**EXHIBIT B**). States it is his goal that the forgotten war is acknowledged by the general public and future generations.

195 Ann Bakkenson President, Korean/Cold War Family Association of the Missing. Testifies in support of HCR 11. Submits and refers to written material (**EXHIBIT C**). Relates that her father was shot down while flying an F-86 aircraft during the Korean War. Says there is evidence that he may have been captured and interrogated by the communist forces for his technical knowledge. Says there are currently 74 commemorative communities participating in a 3-year program to commemorate the Korean War. Says the legislature should join in that process by adopting this measure.

267 Chair Krummel Closes public hearing on HCR 11 and opens public hearing on HB 2546.

HB 2546 PUBLIC HEARING

280 Matt Wingard Committee Administrator. Comments that HB 2546 would allow county government to annually transfer balance of Public Land Corner Preservation Fund into the County Assessment and Taxation Fund.

285 Bill Penhollow Association of Oregon Counties (AOC). Testifies in support of HB 2546 as amended by the -3 amendments (**EXHIBIT D**). Says that any balance at the end of the fiscal year is to be used ... intent was to keep the money within the county of origin. -3 amendments take it in a slightly different direction.

325 Rep. Tom Butler House - District 60. Testifies in support of HB 2546. Explains that the amendments allow for the surveyors to continue maintenance of the public land survey system. Those chosen to be surveyors will prepare report of expenditures. Initial information indicates there is potential for difficulties and encroachment on county budgets. Says it has been assured that there will be sufficient oversight.

369 Rep. Wirth Asks how are these currently funded.

374 Rep. Butler Currently the fee is set aside into the county budget. States a fee of \$10 is currently being set-aside for the "corner post preservation fund". Anything the legislature can do to guarantee that lands are properly identified and subject to proper transfer should be done.

TAPE 54, A

009 Rep. Wirth Comments a sizeable balance is no doubt necessary for repairing the corner posts. Asks if the fund provides for any other activities.

017 Rep. Butler States some counties accumulate more than others do, depending on the number of transactions. Says the -3 amendments establish a method by which budgeting for both corner posts and the land survey system will occur.

024 Rep. Brown Asks if HB 2546 as amended, would keep the \$10 fee with the surveyor's office.

028 Rep. Butler Responds it will stay in the county, not necessarily the surveyor's office. New technology allows for greater accuracy (GPS, etc) that will allow different methods for maintaining the integrity of the survey system.

043 Rep. Brown Asks if the original intent of the bill was to sweep the surplus

- 046 Rep. Butler dollars into the general fund.
Comments the original bill was not to sweep the funds, the purpose was to maintain the integrity of specific county accounts. Says there was some contention to that end, which led to this approach.
- 056 Chuck Pearson Clackamas County Surveyor. Testifies in support of HB 2546 as amended by the –3 amendments. Cannot speak for other county surveyors.
- 068 Chair Krummel Closes public hearing on HB 2546 and opens work session on HB 2546.

HB 2546 WORK SESSION

- 070 Rep. Tomei **MOTION: Moves to ADOPT HB 2546-3 amendments dated 04/09/01.**
VOTE: 7-0
EXCUSED: 4 - Beck, Garrard, Hill, Kafoury
Hearing no objection, declares the motion CARRIED.
- 079 Chair Krummel
Rep. Tomei **MOTION: Moves HB 2546 to the floor with a DO PASS AS AMENDED recommendation.**
- 080 Rep. Wirth States she opposes the bill based on the transfer for control of money from surveyors to the counties.
- 085 Rep. Kruse Asks if this bill could be held over. States he would like to confer with surveyors from his area.
- 087 Chair Krummel Comments that the bill stands amended.
090 Rep. Tomei **Withdraws the motion.**
- 093 Chair Krummel Closes work session on HB 2546 and opens work session on HCR 11.

HCR 11 WORK SESSION

- 095 Rep. Kruse **MOTION: Moves HCR 11 to the floor with a BE ADOPTED recommendation and BE REFERRED to the committee on.**
VOTE: 7-0
EXCUSED: 4 - Beck, Garrard, Hill, Kafoury
Hearing no objection, declares the motion CARRIED.
REP. JENSON AND REP. P. SMITH will lead discussion on the floor.
- 098 Rep. Wirth Says she wants to thank them for their efforts on behalf of her father who is a veteran of the Korean War.
- 105 Chair Krummel Closes the work session on HCR 11 and adjourns the meeting at 10:37 a.m.

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EXHIBIT SUMMARY

- A – HCR 11, written testimony, Walter Crews, 2 pp.**
- B – HCR 11, written testimony, John Donnelly, 1 p.**
- C – HCR 11, written testimony, Ann Baakkensen, 2 pp.**
- D – HB 2546–3 proposed amendments, Staff, 1 p.**