

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT EFFICIENCY

May 08, 2001
8:30 AM

Hearing Room D
Tapes 68 - 69

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. Jeff Kruse
 Rep. Steve March
 Rep. Carolyn Tomei
 Rep. Kelley Wirth

STAFF PRESENT: **Matt Wingard, Committee Administrator**
 Pamela Johansen, Committee Assistant

MEASURE/ISSUES HEARD: **SB 13A Public Hearing**
 SB 14A Public Hearing
 SB 15A Public Hearing
 HB 3613 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 68, A		
004	Chair Krummel	Calls the meeting to order at 8:40 a.m. and opens a work session on SB 13A, SB 14A, SB 15A.
<u>SB 13A, 14A and 15A PUBLIC HEARING</u>		
005	Sen. Courtney	Senate District 17. Testifies in support of SB 13A, SB 14A, and SB 15A. Submits and refers to written material (EXHIBIT A) . Gives an overview of each bill. Discusses earthquake preparedness for hospitals, schools and fire stations. Comments that Oregon is the first state to try and implement this type of program and we are being watched by 10 other states that are facing earthquake damage as well as the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA).
115	Rep. Wirth	Comments that the Corvallis school district has done a seismic study on their schools but not by this act. Asks if they would still qualify for the funding assistance.
125	Sen. Courtney	Responds any previous study that meets requirements will be acceptable. Comments on the funding process.
142	Rep. Smith P.	Comments that section 4, line 15 of SB 15A addresses the issue of funding assistance.
165	Chris Thompson	Chairman, Oregon Seismic Safety Policy Advisory Commission. Testifies in support. States the difference between SB 14A and SB 15A is that the schools will be evaluated to life safety standards whereas hospitals and fire stations will be evaluated more on an operational level.

260	Rose Gentry	Vice Chair, Oregon Seismic Safety Policy Advisory Commission. Testifies in support of SB 13A, SB 14A, SB 15A. Submits and refers to written material (EXHIBIT B) and (EXHIBIT C) .
286	Rep. Wirth	Asks for clarification on funding K-16 to reduce the risks within 30 years.
296	Thompson	Responds that there is no specific funding targeted and the language was left open to pursue many sources.
322	Rep. Wirth	Asks how can local jurisdictions come up with monies to fund this type project.
329	Thompson	Responds that is the intent of the Senate Joint Resolutions that will be put before the voters as a general bond to provide funding for SB 14A and SB 15A.
321	Rep. Garrard	Discusses the overload for agencies such as 911 facilities and the cost to local businesses. Asks who will help pay for these to be updated.
353	Thompson	Responds the bills are targeting facilities which are considered high risk.
375	Rep. Garrard	Comments in Klamath during the last earthquake that all the communications systems were overloaded.
389	Thompson	Responds after a catastrophe that is a common occurrence.
403	Rep. Garrard	Says that he feels communications system needs to be addressed in this legislation.
TAPE 69 A		
013	Thompson	Comments that seismic strengthening is a costly proposition, but a necessary one. States it is structured to give the institutions the opportunity to make improvements over a period of time through renovation plans for the future.
053	Rep. Garrard	Asks if Mr. Thompson could tell the committee what it would take to retrofit a 20 or 30 year old building.
055	Thompson	Responds the retrofit of a building is intended to make the building tied together in such a way that the structural system will not have a progressive collapse or be damaged during an earthquake.
066	Rep. Hill	Comments the focus should remain on the physical infrastructure of key buildings at this time.
088	Chair Krummel	Asks for more details on FEMA.
101	Rose Gentry	Responds that FEMA is trying to focus more of their efforts on getting communities to help themselves in preparing for emergencies rather than to have FEMA come in and recover after the event.
103	Thompson	Comments that after the North Ridge earthquake and the level of damage and costs incurred that FEMA changed their focus from one of recovery to one of educating communities to prepare for emergencies.
123	Jo Bell	Oregon Association of Hospitals and Health Systems. Testifies in support. Comments these bills will address problems and concerns while moving toward some assistance and public participation. Addresses the –A6 amendments (EXHIBIT D) .
173	Jim Toire	Mayor, Eugene, Oregon. Testifies in support of SB 15A. Comments he would like to see the addition of Police Stations to the bill.
213	Joe Schweinhart John Beaulieu	League of Oregon Cities. Testifies in support. Department of Geology and Mineral Industries. Testifies in

336	Amanda Rich	support. Submits and refers to written material (EXHIBIT E) (EXHIBIT F) (EXHIBIT G) . Oregon Community College Association. Testifies in support of SB 14A. Compliments Senator Courtney and his staff for their efforts. Discusses the phrase “subject to funding” and the reasoning for that particular language. Comments these bills give the ability to bring institutions up to life safety standards.
TAPE 65, B		
001	Grattan Kerans	Director of Government Relations, Oregon University System. Testifies in support of SB 13A, SB 14A, SB 15A. Discusses the severity of a 9.0 magnitude earthquake. Comments that University systems will be updated in conjunction with the seismic surveys and not after the fact. Discusses the impact of SJR 21 and SJR 22.
069	Rep. Wirth	Comments that she feels the need to prioritize K-12 before higher education. Expresses frustration over the funding mechanism.
095	Kerans	Responds that the funds will be allocated to sectors based on relative size of the need.
122	Chair Krummel	Closes public hearing on SB 13A, SB 14A, and SB 15A and opens a work session on HB 3613.
<u>HB 3613 WORK SESSION</u>		
130	Joe Brewer	Administrator, Oregon Building Codes Division. Testifies in support of HB 3613. Discusses the –2 amendments and some additional changes that need to be made (EXHIBIT H) .
168	Rep. Kruse	MOTION: Moves to ADOPT HB 3613-2 amendments dated 5/8/01. VOTE: 8-1-2 AYE: 8 - Beck, Brown, Kafoury, Kruse, March, Smith P., Tomei, Wirth, Krummel NAY: 1 – Hill EXCUSED: 2 – Beck, Garrard
229	Chair Krummel	The motion Carries.
231	Rep. Kruse	MOTION: Moves HB 3613 to the floor with a DO PASS AS AMENDED recommendation.
234	Rep. Hill	Expresses objections to the bill.
245	Chair Krummel	Asks for clarification on the cities that were contacted.
233	Schweinhart	Responds that most cities contacted had no problems with this issue. VOTE: 9-1-1 AYE: 9 - Beck, Brown, Kafoury, Kruse, March, Smith P., Tomei, Wirth, Krummel NAY: 1 - Hill EXCUSED: 1 - Garrard
239	Chair Krummel	The motion Carries. REP. BECK will lead discussion on the floor.
257	Chair Krummel	Closes the work session on HB 3613 and adjourns the meeting at 9:45 a.m.

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EXHIBIT SUMMARY

A – SB 13, 14, 15, written testimony, Sen. Peter Courtney, 2pp.

B – SB 13, 14, 15, written testimony, Rose Gentry, 2pp.

C – SB 13, 14, 15, booklet, Oregon At Risk, Rose Gentry, 21pp.

D – SB 15-A6 proposed amendments, Staff, 1p,

E – SB 13, written testimony, John Beaulieu, 4pp.

F – SB 14, 15, written testimony, John Beaulieu, 5pp,

G – SB 14, 15, SJR 21,22, written testimony, John Beaulieu, 2pp.

H – HB 3613-2 proposed amendments, Staff, 36pp.