

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON RULES, REDISTRICTING, AND PUBLIC AFFAIRS

May 16, 2001
1:30 PM

Hearing Room D
Tapes 113 - 114

MEMBERS PRESENT: Rep. Carl Wilson, Chair
Rep. Richard Devlin, Vice-Chair
Rep. Dan Doyle, Vice-Chair
Rep. Dan Gardner
Rep. Bill Garrard
Rep. Steve March
Rep. Bruce Starr
Rep. Joanne Verger

MEMBER EXCUSED: Rep. Cherryl Walker

STAFF PRESENT: Cara Filsinger, Committee Administrator
Jennifer Goodman, Committee Assistant

MEASURE/ISSUES HEARD: REDISTRICTING – PUBLIC HEARING
SB 488 – PUBLIC HEARING AND WORK SESSION
SB 194 – WORK SESSION
HB 3804 – WORK SESSION

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<u>TAPE/#</u>	<u>Speaker</u>	<u>Comments</u>
TAPE 113, A		
005	Chair Wilson	Calls the meeting to order at 2:08 p.m. and opens a public hearing on redistricting.
<u>REDISTRICTING – PUBLIC HEARING</u>		
014	Cara Filsinger	Committee Administrator. Submits (EXHIBITS A – J) .
017	Chair Wilson	Closes the public hearing on redistricting and opens a public hearing on SB 488.
<u>SB 488 – PUBLIC HEARING</u>		
020	Senator Ted Ferrioli	Senate District 28. Testifies in support of SB 488. States that his opinion may be different if the term 'squaw' was a place name or was connected to a particular historical event. Believes the term 'squaw' is derisive and should not be used. Reads from a letter sent to him regarding the term 'squaw'. Points out that people who are affected by the name change will have ample time to adjust. Suggests that the bill reflect the plurality of our population.
068	Roberta Conner	Confederated Tribes of Umatilla. Submits (EXHIBIT K) and testifies in support of SB 488. Believes that the term 'squaw' is derisive. Believes that the term 'iskuulpa' should replace the name 'squaw'. Explains that this term reflects historical events near Squaw Creek.
103	Earl Fultz	Resident of Squaw Mountain Road. Submits (EXHIBIT L) and testifies in opposition to the bill. States that it will be an inconvenience because it is the name of his address. Adds that

he does not believe the legislature should decide this matter. Suggests that it should be a local concern. Explains that it can be costly to make address and business names. Believes that the term ‘squaw’ should not be used to describe a person but that places are different.

192 Rep. Gardner Asks if he lives or works on Squaw Mountain Road.
194 Fultz Replies that both his business and residence are on Squaw Mountain Road.

195 Rep. Gardner Asks the name of his business.
196 Fultz Responds that it is named Earl L. Fultz Logging.
196 Rep. Gardner Asks who signed the petitions.
198 Fultz Responds that one petition is signed by citizens of Oregon and residents of Squaw Mountain Road sign the other petition. Explains that he only came across four people who would not sign the petition.

214 Rep. Garrard States that the bill would prohibit using the term ‘squaw’. States that local government could rename it anything they wanted.

225 Fultz Believes that the legislature is taking the right away to call something by the name it is gone by for many years. Suggests that citizens can go to local government and request a name change.

246 Sandra Kuziemski Resident of Squaw Mountain Road. Testifies in opposition to the bill. Believes the name represents history and should not be changed. Refers to an article from the Estacada paper. States that ‘squaw’ is an Indian word. Adds that she never considered this term to be derogatory.

323 Rep. March States that this bill gives the residents a chance to come up with a new historical name for their area.

315 Kuziemski States that she does not want to have to do this. Believes the Indians use the term ‘squaw’. Adds that it was called Squaw Mountain because the Indians lived there.

367 Rep. Garrard Suggests that perhaps another Indian term could be used.
372 Kuziemski States that she does not have to please the Indians.
373 Rep. Garrard States that it is just being neighborly.
374 Kuziemski States that the Indians should be neighborly to her and let them keep the name. Does not believe that the term ‘squaw’ is degrading.

369 Senator Kate Brown Senate District 7. Testifies in support of the bill. States that ‘squaw’ is a pejorative word. Explains that other states have also passed similar bills. Explains that the –2 amendments have no fiscal impact and allows a five year window for compliance. Discusses the Geographic Name Board. Explains that business names would not be affected but their addresses would. States that there are less than ten businesses registered with the Secretary of State’s Office to have the term ‘squaw’ in their name.

476 Rep. Verger Asks who named Squaw Mountain.
480 Sen. Brown Replies that she does not know.
482 Rep. Verger States that we then do not know whether the Indians named Squaw Mountain.

487 Sen. Brown Believes that someone outside a tribe named the mountain.
490 Chair Wilson States that he was able to find six or seven businesses that use the term ‘squaw’.

047 053	Michael Mason Olivia Wallulatum	Warm Springs Tribe. Defers to his colleagues. Warm Springs/Wasco Tribe. Sings a prayer song and explains that it is in honor of women who were called squaws. Testifies in support of SB 488. Believes that women are more than just squaws. Believes that by passing this bill it will give Indian women a better self-image.
118	Colleen Roba	Warm Springs/Wasco Tribe. Testifies in support of SB 488 and states that to native females the word 'squaw' is a slanderous word. States that the term 'squaw' was not used until the 1600's. Believes this is a hurtful word when used toward Indian women.
137	Mason	States that he supports the amendments. Believes it is a community effort to exterminate the word and replace it with other names relevant to Oregonians.
154	Rep. Gardner	Submits and testifies from (EXHIBIT M) . Believes that the term 'squaw' is a derogatory word. Believes that the legislature has the responsibility to provide all Oregonians with positive memorials to their heritage.
170	Chair Wilson	Closes the public hearing on SB 488 and opens a work session on SB 488.

SB 488 – WORK SESSION

173	Rep. Gardner	MOTION: Moves to ADOPT SB 488-2 amendments dated 03/20/01.
175		VOTE: 7-0 EXCUSED: 2 - Starr, C. Walker Hearing no objection, declares the motion CARRIED.
177	Chair Wilson Rep. Gardner	MOTION: Moves SB 488 to the floor with a DO PASS AS AMENDED recommendation.
181	Rep. March	Believes this will prompt people to learn more about their history.
186	Rep. Doyle	States that this bill is not being passed because it is politically correct but because it is the right thing to do.
200	Rep. Garrard	Refers to the 9-1-1 efforts and the renaming of streets. Explains that the average cost of this change is \$35. Believes this is a constructive way to examine the way we look at things.
222	Rep. Devlin	Believes this legislation is long overdue. Adds that this term is seen as derogatory.
236	Chair Wilson	States that he is not one to follow what is politically correct. Adds that this bill has to do with decency. Asks that the Native Americans be involved in the renaming of these places.
262		VOTE: 8-0 AYE: In a roll call vote, all members present vote Aye. EXCUSED: 1 - C. Walker The motion CARRIES. REP. GARDNER will lead discussion on the floor.
271	Chair Wilson	Closes the work session on SB 488 and opens a work session on SB 194.

SB 194 – WORK SESSION

278	Cara Filsinger	Committee Administrator. Explains that they have the –A2 amendments (EXHIBIT N) and an analysis from John VanLandingham (EXHIBIT O) and there are more amendments coming.
285	John Van	Lane County Law and Advocacy Center. Explains the

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amendments. Discusses the two coalitions formed. Explains that the –2 amendments include the manufactured housing coalitions. Adds that the –2 amendments make changes asked for by the State Court Administrator. Discusses that the –2 amendments address the following:

- Abandoned manufactured homes.
- Authorizes fixed term tenancies.
- Waiver.
- Confidentiality regarding information given to the ombudsman.

Explains the –A3 amendments.

401 Chair Wilson

Closes the work session on SB 194 and opens a work session on HB 3804.

HB 3804 – WORK SESSION

421 Filsinger

Explains that there are –6 amendments (**EXHIBIT P**).

432 Duane Bales

Speaker’s Office. Reviews the –4 amendments:

- ‘Two tiered process’ replaces ‘dual public contracting agency’.
- Keep records for ten years.

Explains that the -6 amendments add:

- Oregon Department of Transportation begins compliance upon enactment of this bill.

TAPE 113, B

029 Dugan Petty

Deputy Administrator, Transportation Purchasing and Print Services Division with the Department of Administrative Services. States that regarding the two tiered process they added the term ‘feasible’. Adds that it may not be possible to come up with the most qualified consultants during the first selection process. Explains that section C allows the public agencies to have the ability to go through another process.

043 Chair Wilson

Asks if he is aware of any opposition.

044 Dugan

States that he is not aware of any. Adds that the parties who had concerns are satisfied with the changes.

049 Duane

Replies that some technical changes may be made on the Senate side.

053 Rep. Verger

Asks about litigation.

056 Dugan

Replies that litigation would involve the lead agency.

063 Rep. Verger

Asks what would happen if a disqualified person was not on the list and used this process against someone who was on the list.

066 Dugan

Responds that the lead agency is responsible for the procurement of the three.

072 Rep. March

States that the Federal Highway and Works Administration opposed this bill because of the Brooks Act. Asks if the amendments address this concern.

079 Dugan

Believes they expressed concern over an earlier amendment. Believes this has been resolved because this is qualification based.

088 Rep. March

States that their concern was the ability of local government to choose a local qualified candidate.

092 Dugan

Responds that the earlier amendment required this. Explains that

105	Mark Landauer	in this version of the bill there is not geographic consideration given. City of Portland. Explain that in the –6 amendments they are given more latitude in selecting from the list or not. Explains that he has a couple of technical concerns. Adds that the sponsor of the bill has been agreeable to his suggestions. Asks that they move the bill along.
131	Rep. Starr	MOTION: Moves to ADOPT HB 3804-6 amendments dated 05/16/01.
133		VOTE: 8-0 EXCUSED: 1 - C. Walker
	Chair Wilson	Hearing no objection, declares the motion CARRIED.
136	Rep. Starr	MOTION: Moves HB 3804 to the floor with a DO PASS AS AMENDED recommendation.
139		VOTE: 8-0 AYE: In a roll call vote, all members present vote Aye. EXCUSED: 1 - C. Walker
	Chair Wilson	The motion CARRIES. REP. STARR will lead discussion on the floor.
146	Chair Wilson	Closes the work session on HB 3804 and adjourns the meeting at 3:11 p.m.

Submitted By,

Reviewed By,

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EXHIBIT SUMMARY

- A – Redistricting, written testimony, Staff, 1p.**
- B – Redistricting, written testimony, Staff, 2pp.**
- C - Redistricting, written testimony, Staff, 1p.**
- D - Redistricting, written testimony, Staff, 1p.**
- E - Redistricting, written testimony, Staff, 1p.**
- F - Redistricting, written testimony, Staff, 1p.**
- G - Redistricting, written testimony, Staff, 1p.**
- H - Redistricting, written testimony, Staff, 1p.**
- I - Redistricting, written testimony, Staff, 1p.**
- J - Redistricting, written testimony, Staff, 1p.**
- K – SB 488, Newspaper article, Roberta Conner, 1p.**
- L – SB 488, signed petitions, Earl Fultz, 13pp.**
- M – SB 488, written testimony, Rep. Dan Gardner, 1p.**
- N – SB 194, -A2 amendments, Staff, 60pp.**
- O – SB 194, written testimony, Staff, 28pp.**
- P – HB 3804, -6 amendments, Staff, 6pp.**